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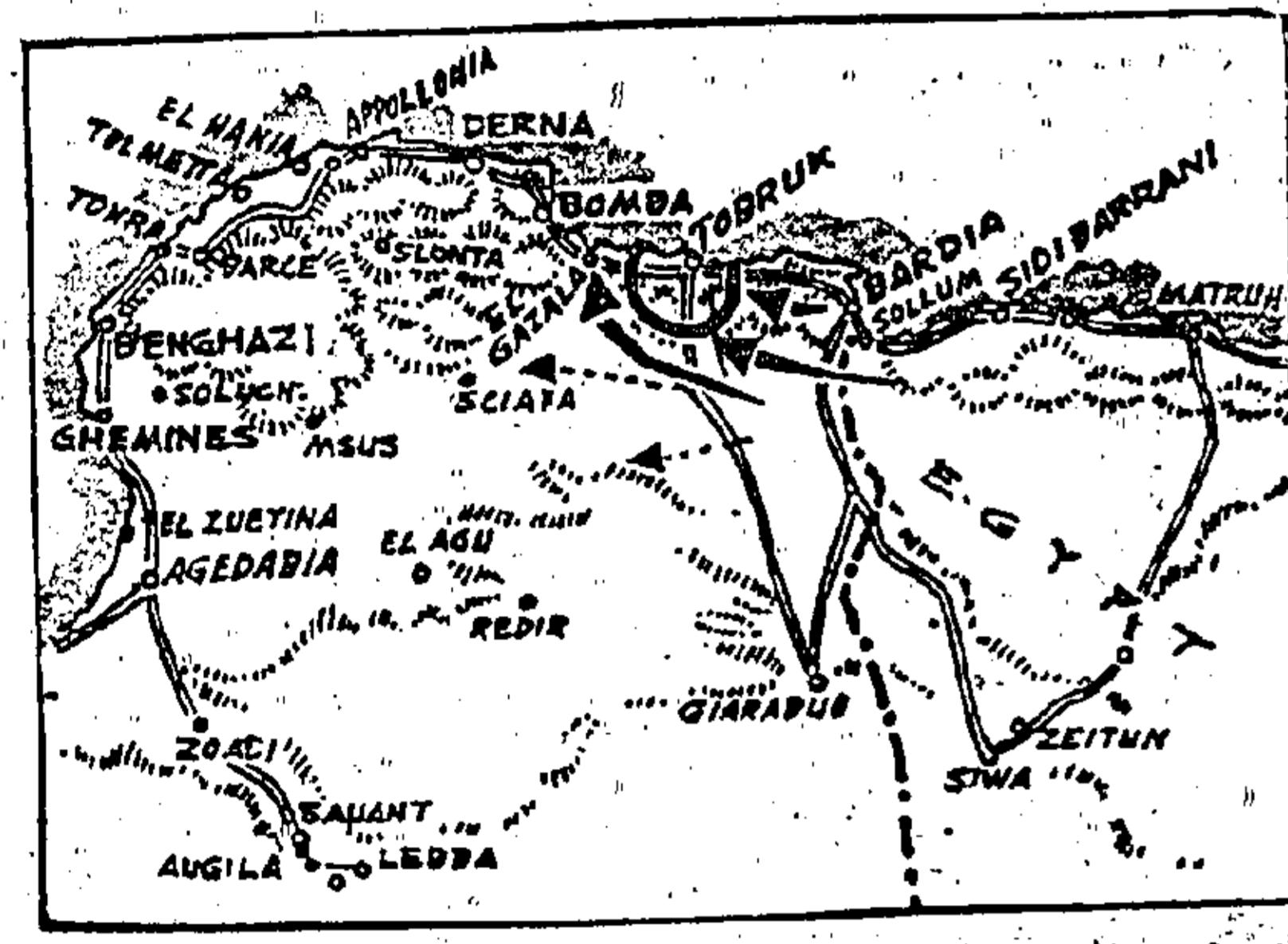
## MUSSOLINI'S DISILLUSIONMENT AS CAESAR IN AFRICA NOW COMPLETE: CAPTURE OF BENGHAZI IS MOST BRILLIANT MILITARY EXPLOIT

SIGNOR MUSSOLINI'S DISILLUSIONMENT AS THE CAESAR IN AFRICA IS NOW COMPLETE.

This statement was contained in a London message last night which officially announced from Cairo that BENGHAZI, important Italian base on the Libyan coast, had fallen into British hands.

It is not yet two months since SIDI BARRANI fell and the rapid campaign, it is believed, will be regarded in the future as a classic example of the supreme value of sea power coupled with an ably led and fully equipped army.

GENERAL SIR ARCHIBALD WAVELL, Commander-in-Chief in the Middle East, who has led the Army of the Nile in the Libyan campaign since it began from MERSA MATRUAH on December 9 is now spoken of, in Egypt, as "Wavell the wizard."



General Wavell's Army of the Nile's advance into Libya from Mersa Matruh began on Dec. 9. Since then, the Army, composed of British, Australian, Indian and New Zealand troops, have taken Sidi Barrani, Sollum, Fort Capuzzo, Bardia, Tobruk (Jan. 22), Derna (Jan. 26), Agordat, Barentu and Benghazi (Feb. 7). Over 100,000 prisoners have been taken and vast supplies captured with only small casualties to the Imperial forces.

### MR. MENZIES ON

## Australia's Contribution To War: Reinforcement Of Defence Of Commonwealth

A STATEMENT ON AUSTRALIA'S WAR EFFORT WAS MADE BY THE AUSTRALIAN PRIME MINISTER, MR. R. G. MENZIES, who is at present in Palestine, en route for England, states a London message.

Mr. Menzies said he had been extremely delighted by what he had seen of Australian troops in Palestine.

He remarked that Australia's war contribution will be greater than anyone thought possible before the war started.

Australian troops overseas would be reinforced and the Commonwealth would build up a force of 50,000 men for its own defence.

Australia was also tackling large scale manufacture of munitions, aeroplanes, artillery and small arms, and in many cases production was ahead of schedule.

The trebling of the Commonwealth's income tax and expenditure of £188,000,000 was evidence of Australia's confidence in success and willingness to pay whatever price was to be paid to achieve that success.

"We do not underestimate the difficulty of our enterprise but the British have coped with their difficulties in enterprises in their day," said Mr. Menzies.

Referring to his visit to Britain, Mr. Menzies said he was anxious to make it clear to the British people that Australia was on the job just as they were.

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### NAZI PROPOSALS TO BULGARIA

Germany has made new proposals to Bulgaria to secure her inclusion in the Three-Power Pact. States a message from Saigon.

According to this message, as soon as Bulgaria accepts, German troops will march through to attack Greece.—(Special)

### Today's News Summary

BENGHAZI IS IN THE HANDS of General Wavell's Army of the Nile, less than two months since Sidi Barrani fell. The capture is one of the most brilliant exploits in British military history and has led to control of the whole of Cyrenaica.

ADMIRAL DARLAN IS ON HIS WAY to Paris to meet M. Laval and reports state he will carry proposals adopted by Marshal Petain at the meeting of the Vichy Cabinet on Thursday.

FIGHTING ON THE ALBANIAN FRONT is taking place in exceptionally bad weather and the latest Greek communiqué states that activity was restricted to patrols and artillery.

MR. R. G. MENZIES, THE AUSTRALIAN Prime Minister, who is in Palestine made a statement on Australia's contribution to the war effort which, he said, would be even greater than anyone thought possible before the conflict started.

### THE CAPTURE OF BENGHAZI IS THE MOST BRILLIANT EXPLOIT IN BRITISH MILITARY HISTORY.

In one week 160 miles were covered and the success reflects the greatest credit on the Staff who planned the operation and troops who carried it out. The attack was shared by land, sea and air forces.

The total of more than 100,000 prisoners captured since the Libyan campaign began is expected to be increased, states a London message.

The capture of Benghazi gives the British forces control of the whole of Cyrenaica.

Benghazi is an important Italian base on the Libyan coast 150 miles west of Derna and is a vital line of communication. Its capture is another shattering blow to the Fascist regime and is proof that the British striking force remains undiminished, and General Wavell's Army is capable of continuing its lightning advance.

### GERMAN PROPHECY

The capture fulfilled the German prophecy of a few weeks ago that this great territory was likely to go out of Italian control.

In Cairo, news of the capture of Benghazi came like a thunderbolt and among Egyptians the phrase now is "Wavell is a wizard."

Benghazi has a population of 35,000 including numerous Italian settlers.

In Eritrea, the most lively theatre of war, the British forces are making two powerful thrusts which are bringing the Italians daily nearer to the Red Sea—one thrust is towards Kerma, a town on the main road and railway to Massawa.

In the second thrust the Italians are retreating from Barentu towards Tole.

### FORWARD PRESSURE

In Abyssinia there is continued pressure by British forces.

In Italian Somaliland the enemy have suffered very heavy casualties while our casualties have been notably few.

Italian colonists in many parts have warmly welcomed British troops of occupation, and many of the Italians have been eloquent in their detestations of Mussolini's humiliating war.

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### IMPROVING HARBOUR

In recent years the Italians have spent more than £500,000 on improving the harbour.

If the Italians aspire to launch any counter-attack it must come now from Tripoli, 400 miles west, but this would entail almost insupportable lines of communication.

### LAST STRONGHOLD

LONDON, Feb. 7 (Reuter)—Benghazi, Marshal Graziani's last stronghold and most important base in Cyrenaica, was captured by the British. It was officially announced this morning.

No details are available.

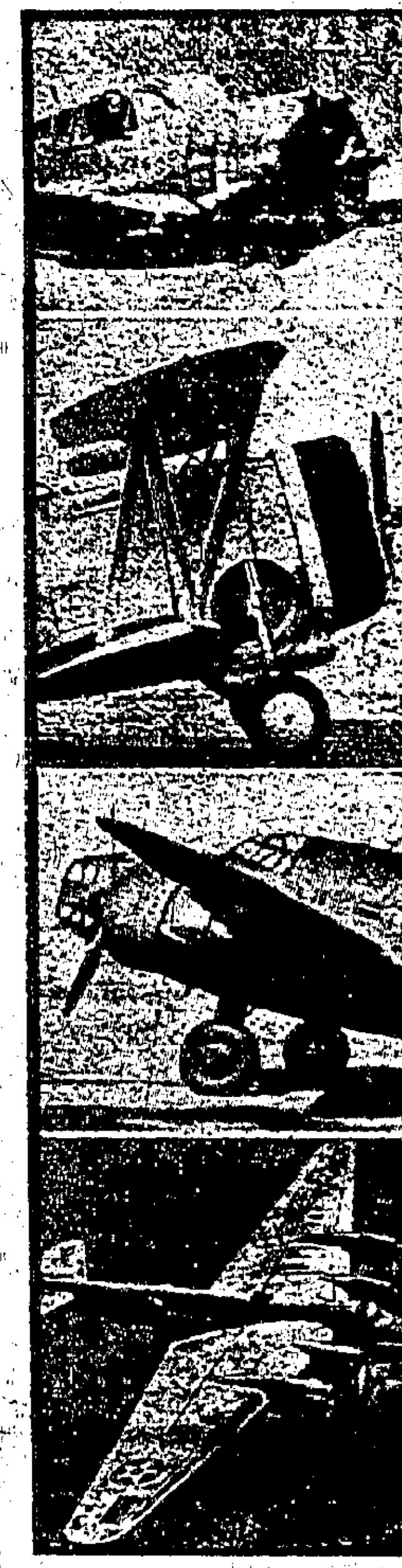
### ROUNDING UP OF FIRST PHASE

"Benghazi is now in the hands of the British Imperial Forces. This quick advance is a magnificent achievement, rounding off the first phase at least of General Wavell's campaign, surely one of the biggest campaigns in British history," said MR. CYRIL LAKIN, B. B. C. commentator, when he broadcast from London yesterday on the latest international developments.

Mr. Lakin said that this latest success meant that practically the whole of Cyrenaica had now fallen to the British and the news had come as a surprise even to them.

"Speaking of surprises," said Mr. Lakin, "after the fall of Derna I seem to remember screams from the enemy that the British should not attach too much importance to the fall of Derna, because they had a big surprise for us."

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Some of the finest U.S. aeroplanes are to be sent to Great Britain. The Curtis, Grumman and Lockheed fighters, of which types are shown in that order in this composite picture, will be included among these aircraft. At the foot is the well-known Flying Fortress bomber, which is also to be available.

## WICKHAM STEED ASKS What Will Hitler Do To Check Growing Impression He Is Not Winning War?

"A peculiar feature of this war is the way in which its political and military aspects seem to be bound together," said MR. WICKHAM STEED, the author-journalist and commentator on international events, when he broadcast from London yesterday in the weekly series, "World Affairs."

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## PROSPECTS FOR ANNUAL RACING CARNIVAL AT HAPPY VALLEY DISCUSSED

**Most Attention Centred On Rooty Hill Derby: Debut Of Mr. C. B. Moller**  
BY "LAST QUARTER"

PREPARATIONS HAVE LONG BEEN UNDER WAY FOR THE 1941 ANNUAL RACE MEETING AND THIS WEEK HAS SEEN THE FINISHING TOUCHES being put to the months of hard work on the part of trainers and jockeys, not to mention the Hongkong Jockey Club staff. While the ponies have been steadily doing their work on the track since November, the stands and precincts have come in for their share of attention, and when the first saddling bell is rung at 11 a.m. next Saturday, Feb. 15, the sight will be one of glistening paint and varnish, with a profusion of flowers on display and a well-nigh perfect grass track.

Shanghai will not be as well represented as in former years, and, so far, only four visiting jockeys will be doing service. Messrs. C. B. Moller (brother of the redoubtable R.B. of Silkylight and Satin-light fame) and Francis Noodt, will be wearing the chocolate, gold-braid and red sleeves of the "Ciré" stable. The former will be making his debut in the Colony, but Mr. Noodt was participant in the 1931 and 1932 Annual Meetings, when he met with some well-remembered successes.

### SPECIAL \$1 SWEEP SELLING WELL

In passing, I would mention that nearly 600,000 tickets have already been disposed of in the Special \$1 Sweep on the Rooty Hill Derby and it would not surprise me to hear later that the sweep has been closed with sales amounting to one million tickets or more.

Mr. M. M. Sokoloff, another old friend, will have charge of the S. W. Lee and Lee Bros. stables and will have his hands fairly full, as there are a large number of ponies entered from these two connexions. Mr. H. Holden, a new-comer with a fair measure of successes up North, has been booked to look after the "Time" stable.

The Stewards have decided that children will not be admitted to the Club premises under any pretext whatsoever on race days, and therefore the usual "off-day" picnic promised by many a fond parent to their offsprings will have to be cancelled. The ruling is a very wise one and will undoubtedly relieve congestion not to mention minimising the danger of possible accidents due to fractious ponies, etc.

### AUSTRALIAN SUBS.

Although the Derby, which is confined to China pony griffins is called the Hongkong Derby and always regarded in the past as the blue Riband, the race that is attracting most attention at the moment is the Rooty Hill Derby for 1941 Australian Subscription ponies. One of the reasons for this is the Special \$1 Sweep referred to above and also the fact that there are as many as 66 entrants for this event.

**THE "BIG NOISE"**  
T. K. Li's best is Oracle and this chestnut mare should do well, especially in the short distance events. A Happy Time appears to be the best of the Li Po Chun string, whilst Vis Major is the "big noise" in the S. W. Lee stable. First Love is a first class animal and dangerous in any race she is started. Orie's Sunlight and Starlight have not shown their real powers in training as yet but I am impressed with their style of galloping.

King's Welcome is nice compact pony, with some very good track performances to her credit and should be able to secure at least one race. The Gredinaka stable are represented in this class by Cocoloma and Canberra. They are both useful and the former is worth following in sprint events. Hasscossay is a veritable "flyer" and will be one of the more prominent ones in the short races. Hornippe and Pigtail are the pick of the others and together with the Nineteenth Hole, are quite capable of upsetting.

**CHINA PONY GRIFFINS**  
If punters were to gauge capabilities by looks alone, then

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### C.B.A. HOCKEY XI TO MEET KHALSA

The following will represent Central British Association in a Hockey Association Tournament match against Khalsa to be played at 10.30 a.m. on Sunday morning on the Police Ground, Boundary Street.—

T. Lockhart; V.C. Bond, D. Taylor, D. Parsons, N. B. M. Whitley and G. Ainslie; D. T. Smith, T.S.D. Whitley, E. Fowler, W. Ure and F. Fowler.

## SPORTS

### Leading League Squads On View In Sunday's Softball Card At K.F.C.

### CANUCKETTES AND WAHOOS TO CLASH IN NEEDLE ENCOUNTER

BY "R.O.Y."

The main feature of this week's softball card at the Kowloon Football Club will be the Canuckettes-Wahoos clash, a needle match that will have an important bearing on the Ladies' pennant race.

In the Men's first division, the three leading teams will all be engaged, and keen tussles should be witnessed when the Indians clash with the Chinese Baseballers and the Hongkong Baseballers tangle with the Cyclones.

Opening the programme, the league-leading Wildcats have an easy task against the Little Flower Club who are but one step out of the cellar. As the latter's mound staff and general defensive ability is still very weak, the Wildcat slingers will have to co-operate with the opposition if the final count is to assume respectable proportions.

The second match will find the Canadian Chinese lassies opposed to the Wahoos. In their first round meeting, the Canuckettes nosed through to a 7-6 triumph, but on this occasion will be without skipper Jean Lee whose heavy stickwork will be sorely missed. The Green Owls, on the other hand, appear to be another team since the return of Big Chief Therese Noronha, so indications are that the fighting Wahoos will reverse the previous verdict.

### MEN'S GAMES

At 12.30 p.m., the second-place Indian Softballers go into action against the Chinese Baseballers

who, despite having a number of individual stars, have had a most disappointing season. Their only feat worthy of mention was their odd-run victory over the Mohawks earlier in the campaign, since when they have shown no signs of reproducing anything near their form on that occasion.

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**EASY POINTS**  
St. Joseph's, the potential champions, should come home "on the bit," against the Filipino boys whose only points this season have been garnished at the expense of the cellar-holding Canadian Chinese aggregation.

The Jolts' Boeys go into this game holding cards: spades and little casino and no-one will be more surprised than the Filipino boys if they manage to beat Dave

Tomorrow, Mentor Abe Liu expects to be able to line up his strongest squad and if all his available strength is arrayed against the Indian lads, the latter will have a hard time clinging onto the runners-up position in the league standings.

**MOHAWKS v. CYCLONES**

With their championship hopes resting on the ability of the Indians to beat St. Joseph's next week, the Mohawks go into their

match against the Cyclones with

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Leonard's hard-hitting outfit on little of the incentive that served as a spark plug in their early season drive to the top of the league tables.

Indifferent form during recent weeks, culminating with their surprising defeat at the hands of

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### COMBINED SERVICES RUGGER XV

The following have been selected to represent the Combined Services v. Combined Volunteers in a Rugby match today at Sookunpoo. Kick-off at 4.15 p.m.

Tel. Honeywill; A/Ldg. Tel. Bowden, Douglas, Coombes, Richards; Lt. Carter, Morgan; Sutherland, Ford, Manfield, C.P.O. Wtr. King; Millan, Heath, Bompas, Page.

### HOCKEY TRIAL

The following are requested to turn out for the "Probables" in a hockey match against the Combined Indian Military team at 3 p.m. today on the Navy ground: V. M. Benwell; V. C. Bond, J. B. Gonsalves; R. Marques, W. A. Reed, N. B. Whitley; 2/Lt. N. G. Cole, T. S. D. Whitley, Gurbachan Singh, E. Fowler and W. Brown.

Reserves: A. E. P. Guest, A. M. Alves, D. T. Smith and W. Parker.

The senior League football match between Police and Royal Scots today has been postponed.

### SPORTING FIXTURES

#### TODAY

**CRICKET** — "A" Division: Kowloon C. C. v. Civil Service C. C.; Recreio v. Craikengower. "B" Division: Craikengower v. Recreio; Indian R.C. v. Civil Service C.C.

**FOOTBALL** — First Division: Sing Tao v. Kowloon (Club), 4.15 p.m. South China v. St. Joseph's (Caroline Hill), 4.15 p.m. Second Division: Kit Chee v. Service Corps (St. Joseph's), 2.45 p.m. Sing Tao v. Club (Club), 2.45 p.m. Ordnance v. Engineers (Military), 4.15 p.m. Police v. Kowloon (Boundary Street), 2.45 p.m. 30th R.A. v. Middlesex (Stanley), 2.45 p.m. South China v. Kwong Wah (Caroline Hill), 2.45 p.m. Third Division: 12th R.A. v. Service Corps (Stanley), 4.15 p.m. Sheli v. Engineers (St. Joseph's), 4.15 p.m. Medicals v. 35th R.A. (Military), 2.45 p.m.

**GOLF** — Royal Hongkong Golf Club Stubs Shield Competition semi-final round.

**RUGBY** — Combined Volunteers "A" v. Combined Services "A" (Sookunpoo) 3 p.m.; Combined Volunteers v. Combined Services (Sookunpoo) 4.15 p.m.

#### TOMORROW

**FOOTBALL** — First Division: Navy v. Eastern (Causeway Bay), 4.15 p.m. Second Division: Navy v. Royal Scots (Causeway Bay), 2.45 p.m. Third Division: 36th R.A. v. Signals (Sookunpoo), 4.15 p.m. 20th R.A. v. 1st R.A. (Sookunpoo), 2.45 p.m. International v. A.S.A. (Chatham Road), 2.45 p.m. Air Force v. 24th R.A. (Chatham Road), 4.15 p.m.



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## Relief Of Kwangtung Fishermen

## CHUNGKING PROHIBITS HOARDING

The National Government has promulgated a set of regulations governing the prohibition of hoarding of important daily necessities for profiteering at emergency time.

Included in such daily necessities are rice, wheat, flour, koualang, corn, beans, cotton, cotton yarn, cotton piece goods, linen, leather, coal, briquets, charcoal, paper, soap, matches and vegetable seeds.

Hoarders will be punished according to law and the articles hoarded will be confiscated.

Hoarders may be reported to the government authorities concerned and rewards will be offered to the informant. (Central News).

The District Governments along the coast have been instructed to assist in the carrying out of these measures. (Central News).

## GENERAL

## Radio Programmes

### HONGKONG

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### TODAY

A BROADCAST TO THE FORCES FROM LONDON

Dvorak Symphony

12.15 p.m. Short Service of Intercession.

12.30 Excerpts from Gilbert and Sullivan.

"Patience" — So Go To Him — Bertha Lewis and George Baker; It's Clear That Medieval Art — Derek Oldham, M. Green and Darrell Fancourt. If Saphir I Choose to Marry — Derek Oldham, M. Green, Darrell Fancourt, M. Eyre, and Nellie Briercliffe. When I Go Out of Door — George Baker, Leslie Rands. I'm a Waterloo House Young Man — Leslie Rands and Chorus of Girls. Finale — Full Company. "Rudigore" — I Know a Youth — George Baker and Muriel Dickson. From The Briny Sea — Chorus of Girls. I Shipped, D'Ye See — Derek Oldham and Chorus of Girls. Hornpipe — Symphony Orchestra. In Bygone Days — Muriel Dickson, George Baker, Derek Oldham and Chorus of Girls. Painted Emblems of Race — Darrell Fancourt, George Baker and Chorus of Men. When the Night Wind Howls — Darrell Fancourt and Chorus of Men. He Yields — George Baker and Chorus of Men.

1.00 Local Time Signal and Weather Report.

1.03 Patricia Rossborough at the Piano.

Rush Hour (Williamson): The Donkey Serenade (film "Firefly"). Mid-night in Mayfair (Newell Chase).

1.13 Henry King & His Orchestra. Cachita — Conga; My Shawl — Rumba. Fox-Trots — To You Sweetheart; To Mary, with Love. Fox-Trots — Talking Through My Heart; You Came to My Rescue. (Both from film "The Big Broadcast").

1.30 Reuter and Rugby Press, Weather Forecast and Announcements.

1.45 Variety.

Vocal — Roses in December (film "Life of the Party"); Waterlilies in the Moonlight (Stock and Others); Brian Lawrence with the Three Girls and Rhythm acc. Vocal — I Believe in Miracles (Meyer and Others); Hildegarde with Orchestra. Accordeons — From Near and Far — Waltz Medley — Vienna Accordeon Orchestra. Vocal — Susanna from Alabama ("Ted & Ezra"); The Hilly Billy Band (Harvey) — The Hill Billes with Novelty acc. Vocal — It's The Natural Thing To Do (film "Double or Nothing") — Hildegarde with Orchestra.

2.15 Close down.

5.45 Indian Programme.

6.30 Closing Local Stock Quotations.

6.32 Film Selections.

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8.00 Local Time Signal, Weather Report and Announcements.

8.03 London Relay — Music Hall.

9.00 London Relay — The News and News Commentary.

9.30 Local sport results.

9.32 Dvorak — Symphony No. 5 in E Minor, Op. 85, "The New World."

1st Mov: Adagio; 2nd Mov: Largo;

3rd Mov: Scherzo — Molto vivace; 4th

Mov: Allegro con fuoco — The Royal Albert Hall Orchestra conducted by Sir Landon Ronald.

10.10 Alfred Carter Playing Chopin.

"The Twenty-Four Preludes," Op. 26; No. 7 Andantino in A Major; No.

8 Molto in F sharp minor; No. 8 Largo in E major; No. 10 Allegro molto in C sharp minor; No. 16 Presto con fuoco in B flat minor; No. 17 Allegretto in A flat major; No. 18 Allegro molto in F minor. Impromptu No. 3 in G flat Major; Op. 51; Fantaisie Impromptu in C sharp minor, Op. 66.

10.30 Half an hour of New Records.

Beer Chasers Polka (Gale); Spot Light Polka (Gale); Columbia Novelty Orchestra. Kentucky Babe (Gelbel); Victory (Davies and Morava); The Victory Singers' (cond. by Madame Clara Novello Davies with Piano acc. Soloists: Esther Cooper-Jones and Dunstan Hart). Love is Best of All (from "Princess Part" — Herbert); Miss Dolly Dollars' Entr'acte (Victor Herbert); Harry Horlick and His Orchestra. The British Grenadiers (Trad); The Empire is Marching (Clifford Grey and Dudley Glass); — Dennis Noble & Male Chorus with The Band of H.M. Coldstream Guards. Quick Marches — The Devil Ma' Cares (Carver); The Lad from London (London Town) (O'Donnell); Band of H.M. Royal Art.

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11.15 London Relay — "Starlight" with Vic Oliver.

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G.S.O. .... 15.18m.c. (19.79m.)

NEWS IN ENGLISH

Transmission I — News Summary

4.00 p.m.

Full Bulletin ..... 5.00 p.m.

Transmission V — News Summary

6.45 p.m.

Full Bulletin ..... 7.00 p.m.

do ..... 8.00 p.m.

do ..... 12.00 mid- night

Trans. II & III — News Summary

7.30 a.m.

Full Bulletin ..... 8.30 a.m.

WAR-TIME BONDS CAMPAIGN

A campaign soliciting subscription to the wartime bonds, including the National Reconstruction Gold Bonds and the Military Supplies Bonds, will be launched shortly.

The campaign will begin in Chungking and then be extended to other parts of the country and to Chinese communities abroad.

A committee to push the sale of the bonds was formed in Chungking last September, with Generalissimo Chiang Kai-shek as Chairman and Mr. Huang Yen-pai, member of the People's Political Council, as Secretary-General.

The Committee is scheduled to give a reception to the press on

3. 10, explaining the methods of the campaign. (Central News).

### MAGISTRATE COMMENDED

The Kiangsu Provincial Government has issued an order commanding Mr. Liu Tien-chan, magistrate of Suining, north Kiangsu, for his capable administration.

It is said that there are no Japanese, traitors or bandits in his

district. (Central News).

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### COMING EVENTS

FEB.

8 — Tides: High 8.22 a.m. and 6.20 p.m. Low 1.24 a.m. and 11.38 a.m.

Sunrise: 6.58 a.m.; Sunset: 6.16 p.m.

Kowloon Golf Club, Annual Dance, Peninsula Hotel, 9 p.m.

Kowloon Cricket Club: Band Concert by Royal Scots, 9 p.m.

Yacht Club: Buffet Supper Dance, Kellett Island.

Exhibition of Chinese Paintings, Cafe Wiseman, 10 a.m.—8 p.m.

Exhibition of Calligraphy,

## SANGUINARY FIGHTING IN ALBANIAN FRONT

### ITALIAN ATTACK THROWN BACK WITH HEAVY CASUALTIES

ATHENS, Feb. 7 (Reuter)—The violent Italian counter-attack launched on Wednesday on the central front has ended in a disastrous Italian defeat, according to the Athens radio last night.

The enemy threw many troops and a considerable number of tanks and armoured cars into the battle in an attempt to break through the Greek lines. The Italians were pushed back behind their base lines and their losses in men and material were heavy.

### AMERICANS SERVING IN BRITAIN

LONDON, Feb. 7 (Reuter)—Thousands of Americans have come here in Canadian uniform, declared Mr. Robert Hutchinson, President of the American Eagle Club, speaking at an American Chamber of Commerce luncheon in London yesterday.

He thought that there were 7,000 or 8,000 Americans in service in Britain.

Mr. Ronald Cross, Minister of Shipping, speaking at the same luncheon, said: "I feel that I may look forward with confidence to the day when I shall know of the speed and scale of American shipping assistance."

Mr. Cross recalled that recently he told American journalists that he had cast a covetous eye on the enemy ships tied up in the ports of America. He added, "The song and dance which then emanated from Berlin had for me high entertainment value because of its bogus qualities. I would only say now that the ships are still there and that I still have an eye, and that I am still capable of that little spiritual delinquency to which I have already confessed."

### HAYASHI FREED UNDER BOND

### COURT TRIAL TO BE HELD IN JAPAN

SHANGHAI, Feb. 7 (Reuter)—Mr. Hayashi, the 70-year old President of the Japanese Ratepayers Association, who had been held under investigation by the Japanese Consular Police for the alleged wounding of Mr. W. J. Keswick, Chairman of the Shanghai Municipal Council, and two Japanese officials at the Ratepayers' meeting on Jan. 23, was released last night under bond.

Hayashi will be confined to his home until his departure for Nagasaki in the near future where he will be brought to trial on the charge of attempted murder.

#### COMMONS QUERY

LONDON, Feb. 7 (Reuter)—Invited to make a statement on the "outbreak of ruffianism in the International Settlement of Shanghai," Mr. R. A. Butler, Under-Secretary for Foreign Affairs, said that "while Mr. Eden has some preliminary information on the attempted arson at the Shanghai Race Club and the bombing of the Special District Court he was not yet in a position to give a detailed official account of these incidents."

### ADMIRAL NOMURA IN FRISCO

SAN FRANCISCO, Feb. 7 (Reuter)—Admiral Nomura, the new Japanese Ambassador to the United States, arrived here yesterday.

He told reporters that there were no questions between Japan and the United States that could not be settled amicably.

#### REUTER'S HEAD

BOMBAY, Feb. 7 (Reuter)—A further 900 Italian prisoners, including 104 officers, have arrived.



Major-General L. G. Mackay,

who led the Australian forces at the occupation of Bardia and hauled down the Italian flag.

### U.S. ENVOY TO LONDON

#### PRESIDENT NAMES LABOUR EXPERT FOR POST

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#### CHINA WAR:

### CHINESE LAUNCH HEAVY ASSAULTS IN S. HONAN

CHUNGKING, Feb. 7 (Central)—Heavy assaults were made against the Japanese falling back from Siping to Suiping on the Peiping-Hankow Railway in south Honan. Up till yesterday morning approximately 2,000 Japanese were killed. The rest shot down.

The Japanese to the southeast of Wuyang, about 30 miles west of Siping, on the Peiping-Hankow Railway were practically all annihilated as a result of Chinese encircling attacks, while the Japanese driving southwestward from Wuyang to Nanyang and Shechihchen were hotly pursued and attacked.

Up till noon yesterday most of the Japanese reaching Shechihchen had been annihilated and those invading Nanyang had suffered about 4,000 casualties.

A Japanese unit invading Tung-yipu, a town between Nanyang and Tangho, has been surrounded while about half of the 2,000 Japanese reaching Tangho have been forced to retreat eastward.

A thousand Japanese at Shang-hokwan, about 25 miles north of Miyang west of the Peiping-Hankow Railway are being engaged there.

#### OUTPOST RECAPTURED

In east Honan Chinese troops have recaptured Shinteho, an important Japanese outpost southwest of Pohsien, and Sanhsiamiao, south of Pohsien. The Japanese lost 420 men and 260 rifles.

Fighting around Taiho in northwest Anhwei where the Japanese

## GENERAL

### FORMER DUTCH PREMIER RETURNS TO HOLLAND

### BROKE PLEDGED WORD TO WIFE DANGEROUSLY ILL

LONDON, Feb. 7 (Reuter)—The Royal Netherlands Government announces that it has learnt yesterday with a profound sense of indignation that notwithstanding solemn assurances given to the contrary, Jonkheer Doctor D. J. de Geer, ex-Prime Minister of the Netherlands, has left Lisbon for the enemy-occupied part of the kingdom in Europe.

De Geer, who is 78, was Prime Minister from June, 1939 to September, 1940. He was head of the Government at the moment of the German invasion on May 10 last year and he had an important share in the responsibility for the unanimous decision of the Cabinet to leave the Hague for London with the Queen.

Soon after the resignation of de Geer from the Premiership in September last year, the Government decided to entrust him with a mission to the Netherlands East Indies which would have enabled him to join some members of his family living in that part of the kingdom.

De Geer left England in November last on the express condition that the official facilities granted to him were to serve exclusively for the purpose just mentioned and he himself gave a formal undertaking to that effect.

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#### WIFE ILL

It is learned in Dutch circles in London that de Geer decided to go to Holland because he was anxious about his wife's health.

On arrival in Lisbon, de Geer learned that his wife who has been in

attempt to push into Honan has increased in severity. A Japanese unit moving southwest of Taiho was intercepted on Tuesday. Another unit pushing toward Chieh-shou, a town on the Anhwei-Honan border, northwest of Taiho, is being subjected to heavy attacks.

SURPRISE ATTACKS

CHUNGKING, Feb. 7 (Central)—Chinese troops and local self-defence units made surprise attacks at Pingtan and Nanjin Islands off the Fukien coast, last Tuesday, annihilating a large number of the Japanese garrison troops. The remnant Japanese boarded their boats and fled, abandoning large quantities of military supplies. Both islands were subsequently recaptured by the Chinese.

A Japanese column pushing northward from Shumchun to Pingwu on the Chinese section of the Canton-Kowloon Railway has been deflected eastward following Chinese interception, according to a military report.

#### S'HAI MUNICIPAL ELECTION

CHUNGKING, Feb. 7 (Central)—The Shanghai Municipal Council has recommended to the Consular Body to hold the next municipal election on April 2 and 3 and the Shanghai Municipal ratepayers' annual meeting on April 16. Approval is expected within a few days.

CLARENCE GAUSS FOR CHUNGKING

WASHINGTON, Feb. 7 (Reuter)—President Roosevelt has nominated Mr. Clarence Gauss, Minister of Australia, to be Ambassador to China in succession to Mr. Nelson T. Johnson.

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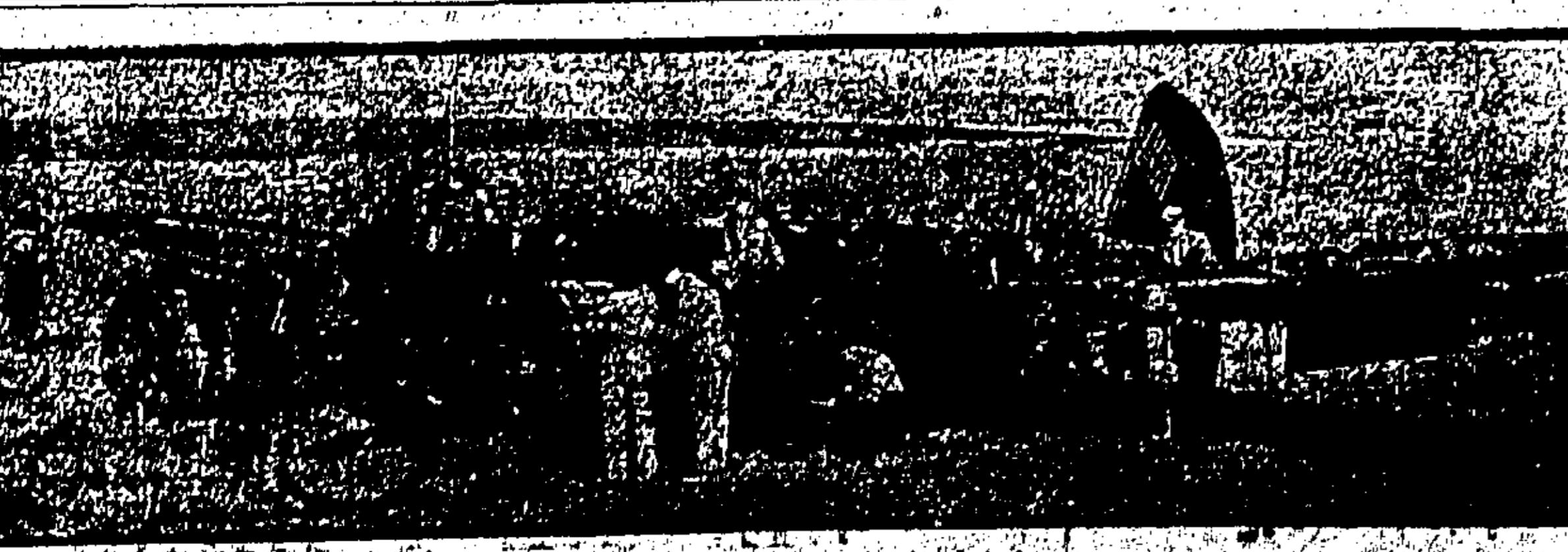
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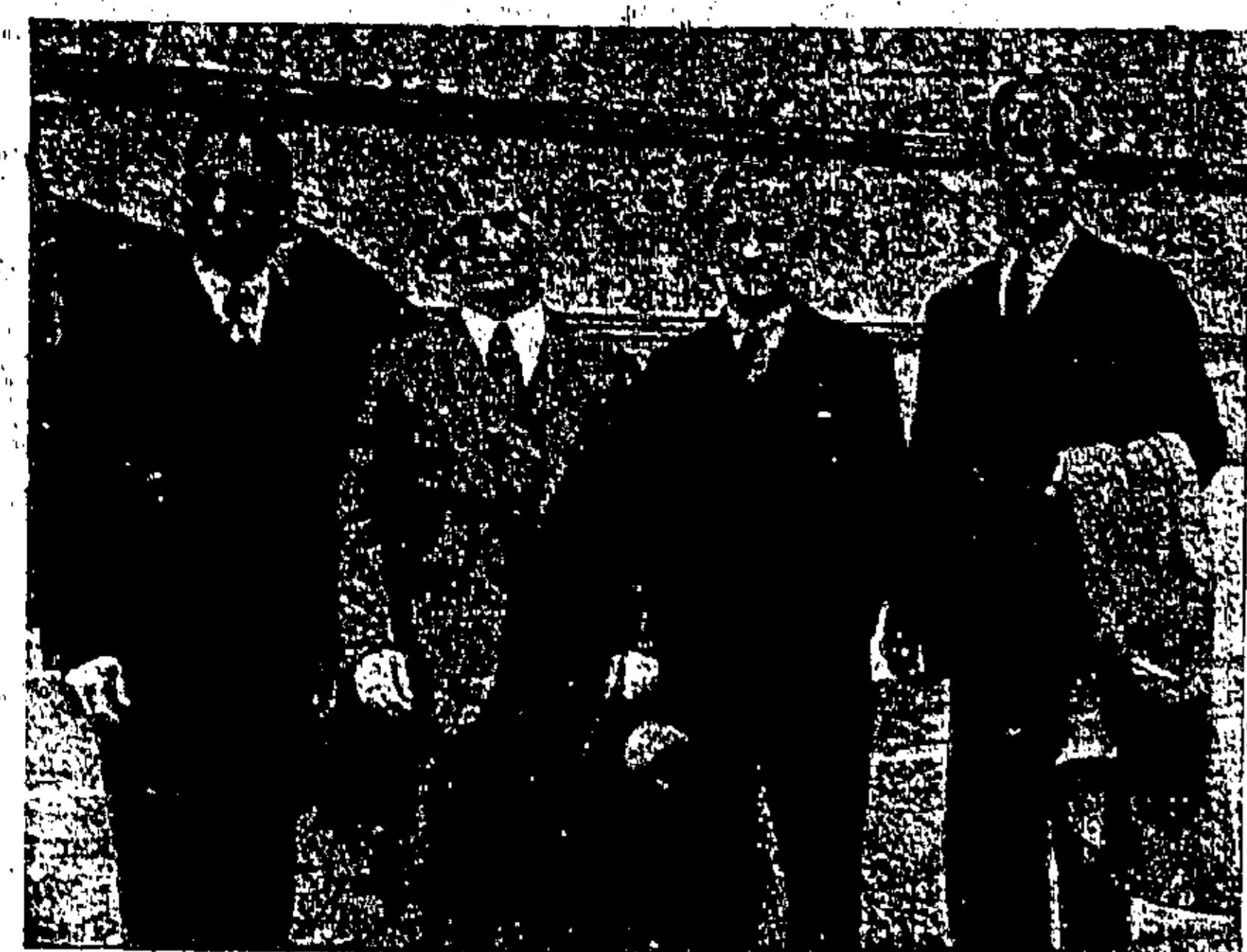
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The group above was photographed on the occasion of the arrival in Hongkong, on his way to Changking, of Mr. Lovell Laughlin Currie, President Roosevelt's Personal Envoy to China. From right to left are: Mr. Emile Despres, senior economist of the Research Division of the Federal Reserve Bank, Mr. L. Currie, Mr. A. E. Southard, U.S. Consul-General in Hongkong, and Mr. Hollington Tong, Generalissimo Chiang Kai-shek's representative who greeted Mr. Currie on his arrival. (King's Studio).

## ROUND THE POLICE COURTS

### AT CENTRAL

#### NUTS AND BOLTS

For stealing 23 pounds of nuts and bolts, valued at \$30, from the Tai Kok Docks on Feb. 6, Wong Wing, 45, unemployed carpenter, was fined \$60, or in default, three months' hard labour, by Major A. N. Macfadyen yesterday. Defendant had two previous convictions.

Convicted of larceny of 11 pounds of the same articles, valued at \$14, Li Tak, 43, dock cooie, was fined \$25 or two months' hard labour.

Sentence of \$20 fine or the alternative of six weeks' hard labour was imposed on Lam Tam-hing, 44, dock cooie, for stealing eight pounds, valued at \$10.

Sgt. Kinloch prosecuted in each case.

#### JUNK OVERSEERS FINED

A fine of \$500 with the alternative of three months' hard labour was imposed on Chan Lih-chol, 24, junk overseer, by Major Macfadyen yesterday for moving 41 bags of rice by sea from the Colony on board trading junk No. T3384H in Shaukiwan harbour on Feb. 5, without first having obtained a licence from the Controller of Trade.

A similar fine was imposed on Ching Kam-chuen, 36, junk overseer, for moving 46 bags on board trading junk No. T3385H.

Both defendants pleaded ignorance of the regulations.

In passing the sentence, Major Macfadyen commented: "It is a very serious offence."

Sgt. Kinloch prosecuted in both cases.

#### CAPITAL CHARGE

Ho Sung-hel, employee of the Chung Hwa Book Company, charged with the murder of Wco. Tong-chiu, accountant of the Company, at No. 3, Gilman's Bazaar, was committed for trial by Mr. Lowry yesterday. Accused reserved his defence.

#### BROKER CHARGED

Further evidence was given before Mr. Lowry yesterday at the hearing of the case in which Chan Shu-yp alias Chan Shui-king, alias Shu Yin, 32, described as a broker, is charged with having carnal knowledge of a 12-year-old Chinese girl at St. Francis' Hotel. The case was remanded to Feb. 14.

#### SENT TO SESSIONS

Charged with robbing, with another not in custody, a brown handbag from Mrs. Inez Soares, at Stubbs Road, Li Kam, 29, unemployed shop girl, was sent for trial by Mr. Sheldon yesterday.

Det. Sub-Insp. W. N. Darkin prosecuted.

Defendant was arrested when he was trying to pawn the watch at the Tak Wing pawnshop.

#### WOUNDING CASE

Ho Chuen, 48, unemployed farmer, appeared before Major Macfadyen yesterday on a charge of causing grievous bodily harm with a chopper, to Yung Fu, 43. Yung Yip, 30, married woman, Yung Ho, 58, widow, and Yung Lok, a two-year-old child, at No. 145, Third Street, second floor.

Det. Sub-Insp. R. Cunningham prosecuted.

Dr. G. V. A. Griffith testified that he found severe blows on the faces of all complainants.

Defendant was committed for trial.

### AT KOWLOON

#### SMART POLICE WORK

"Smart Police work prevented a robbery and resulted in the arrest of three men who were charged with conspiracy to commit a robbery before Mr. E. Hinsworth yesterday.

Accused were Chan Shun, 37, Cheung Kuen, 43, and Shum Sung-tim, 18.

Det.-Sgt. C. Dowman, who conducted the prosecution, said that acting on information a party of police, led by himself went to Po Kong Village about 11 p.m. on Wednesday. They kept watch on a hut and early the following morning defendants came and were arrested.

Accused were searched and two knives, a toy pistol and two gags were found in their possession.

The first two accused were each sentenced to six months' hard labour, while last defendant, who was additionally charged with breach of an expulsion order was gaoled seven months. All defendants will be expelled from the Colony after their terms.

#### DANGEROUS DRIVING

Appearing before Mr. Hinsworth yesterday, Yueng Lun-mun, 18, apprentice, was charged with driving without a licence and driving in a manner dangerous to the public.

Traffic Sgt. Clarke, prosecuting, said that defendant's master left the car outside No. 34, Battery Street and told defendant to push it into the garage.

Accused, however, drove the car instead. In turning a corner, defendant apparently misjudged and knocked a woman who was admitted to the Kowloon Hospital.

Defendant was fined \$15 on both charges and ordered to pay \$10 compensation to the woman.

#### DISORDERLY CONDUCT

Lo Iun, 19, hawker and a 14-year-old juvenile, charged with disorderly conduct by fighting on the ferry Man Chi, were ordered to sign a personal bond of \$10 to be of good behaviour for a year by Mr. Hinsworth yesterday.

Sub-Inspector Johnson, prosecuting, said first accused pushed the juvenile who fell on a passenger causing the latter to fall over board. The passenger was rescued by a seaman of the ferry.

## Immigration Boarding Officers

### 53 ASSIGNED TO SHIP DUTY

Arising out of an observation made by the Hon. Mr. M. K. Lo, at the recent meeting of the Finance Committee, the official spokesman of the Immigration Office was yesterday approached by the Hongkong Daily Press on the question of the numbers of boarding officers employed and their hours of duty.

There are, at present, 13 senior, and about 40 junior, assistant Immigration Officers assigned to ship duty.

Officially, they are on duty for eight hours a day but this was often extended to 12 hours when there happened to be a number of ships arriving, or should a ship arrive just an hour or so before a "squad" was due to go off duty.

Asked whether ships are boarded immediately on arrival, the spokesman replied, "Yes, provided an examination squad is available. Naturally, if 20 ships arrive at the same time some must wait."

### NOW ONLY 18 IMMIGRATION AGENCIES

Since the introduction of the new conditions governing Immigration Agencies, on Jan. 25, the majority of the Agencies have closed down and there are now only 18 such agencies in existence, according to an official spokesman of the Immigration Office.

It might be recalled that among the new conditions are that agencies are not permitted to charge more than \$1 for their services and that this charge is to include two copies of a photograph.

Agencies are also not to employ any persons, on a commission basis but have to pay all their employees a fixed weekly or monthly salary.

### NONSENSE LITERATURE IN CHINA?

An interesting lecture entitled "The Tao with the Luminous Nose" was given yesterday by Mr. T. K. Chuan at a meeting of the Sino-British Cultural Association at the Fung Ping Shan Library.

Nonsense literature, Mr. Chuan said, is not nonsensical, not necessarily humorous. Though Freud had claimed that nonsense was a manifestation of the child cult, there was also nothing either childish or silly about nonsense.

The question of whether nonsense literature existed in China could not be answered categorically by a "Yes" or a "No". But the spirit of nonsense was certainly present in a number of works.

#### FORGED CERTIFICATES

Alleged to have possession a number of forged certificates and a forged seal, purporting to be the seal of the Assistant Immigration Officer, Fan Liu, 40, and Tsui Lan, 29, widow, were charged before Mr. K. M. A. Barnett yesterday.

The certificates were for entry to the Straits Settlement. First accused was additionally charged with uttering a forged certificate.

Inspector G. W. Moreton, of the S.C.A. asked for a remand of three days which was granted.

#### JUNK ROBBERY

Seven men, So Chan-ku, So Ah-kam, So Chi-suen, So Leung-Pak, So Ma-Tai, So Cheung, and So Leung-tai, charged with robbing a junk on the high seas, were committed to the Criminal Sessions by Mr. Hinsworth yesterday.

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Mr. Hin-shing Lo appeared for the first two defendants and Mr. M. A. da Silva for the third accused.

#### MARINE COURT

A fine of \$15 was imposed yesterday by the Marine Magistrate, Lt.-Cmdr. J. Jolly, R.N.R. on Wong Tal-un, charged with boarding a ship in harbour without the permission of the master or the officer in charge.

Ip Sui-mun, mistress of a cargo boat, was fined \$15 for approaching within 30 yards of a ship flying the S flag, and was fined a further \$5 for failing to produce

## GENERAL

## EXHIBITION OF CHINESE WATER-COLOURS

A preview of the exhibition of Chinese water-colour paintings by Miss Wu Yung-hsiang, second daughter of Mr. Aitchison K. Wu, was held yesterday afternoon in the Peacock Lounge, Exchange Building.

The exhibition, which is on for four days, from 10 a.m. to 8 p.m., opens today.

Those present at the preview were H.E. Dr. W. W. Yen, Dr. C. T. Wang, Mr. O. K. Yul, Mr. Liu Chung-chih, Dr. Hsu Shih-ying, Hon. Sir Robert Kotewall, Hon. Mr. M. K. Lo, Rev. K. L. Releth, Dr. and Mrs. E. W. Kirk, Mr. A. C. Taylor, Profs. R. C. Robertson and K. H. Digby, Mr. B. G. Birch and many others.

Dr. Yen introduced the artist.

Of the 80 specimens on exhibit, "One Hundred Mandarin Ducks," "Unexpected Visitors," "Travelling in the Snow," and "Reminiscence of Hongkong Harbour," are among the best.

### Memorial Service For Gen. Chu

A group of prominent Chinese in Hongkong is planning to hold a memorial service for the late General Chu Ching-lan, former army commander and philanthropist, who died in Sian last Jan. at the Confucius Hall, Caroline Hill Road, on Feb. 23.

A preparatory committee for the service was formed with Mr. Tu Yueh-sen as chairman and Messrs. P. N. Chung, manager of the Canton branch of the Central Bank of China, Ip Lan-chuen, Yuan Wei-ying, general manager of the China Can Company, and others as members.

Sponsors of the coming service include Messrs. Wang Hsiao-lai, Chu Ying-kuang, Ling Kang-hou, Chang Tse-ien, Li Tsu-shen and Tu Yueh-sen.

### U.S. MEDICAL SUPPLIES FOR CHINA

### \$1 Million Shipment Arrives In China

The first shipment of about U.S. \$1,000,000 worth of medical supplies purchased with a part of the U.S. \$50,000,000 appropriated by Congress for the relief of the victims of aggression has already arrived in China and more shipments are expected in the future, said Dr. F. C. Yen, former Director of the National Health Administration of the Chinese Government, in an interview with the Central News.

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#### ADMIRABLE PATRIOTISM

The patriotism of the overseas Chinese in the United States, Dr. Yen added, is admirable. In California alone, some U.S. \$6,000,000 has been raised by the Chinese in support of their mother country's resistance against Japan.

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#### WEATHER REPORT

Hongkong Royal Observatory 10 a.m. Feb. 7. Barometer, (at sea level) 30.128 ins.

Temperature, 63 F. Humidity, 74 per cent.

Wind Direction E/N Wind Force (Beaufort), 5.

Temperature: Maximum yesterday 71 F. Minimum last night 61 F.

Rainfall for 24 hrs. ending 10 a.m. today 0.04 ins.

Total rainfall since January 1st, 3.97 in.

Against an average of 1.65 ins. Sunset tonight, 6.15 p.m.

Sunrise tomorrow, 6.59 a.m.

4 p.m., Feb. 7. Barometer (at sea level), 30.07 ins.

Temperature, 63 F. Humidity, 78 per cent.

Wind Direction, E.

Wind Force (Beaufort), 5.

Maximum temperature, 68 F.

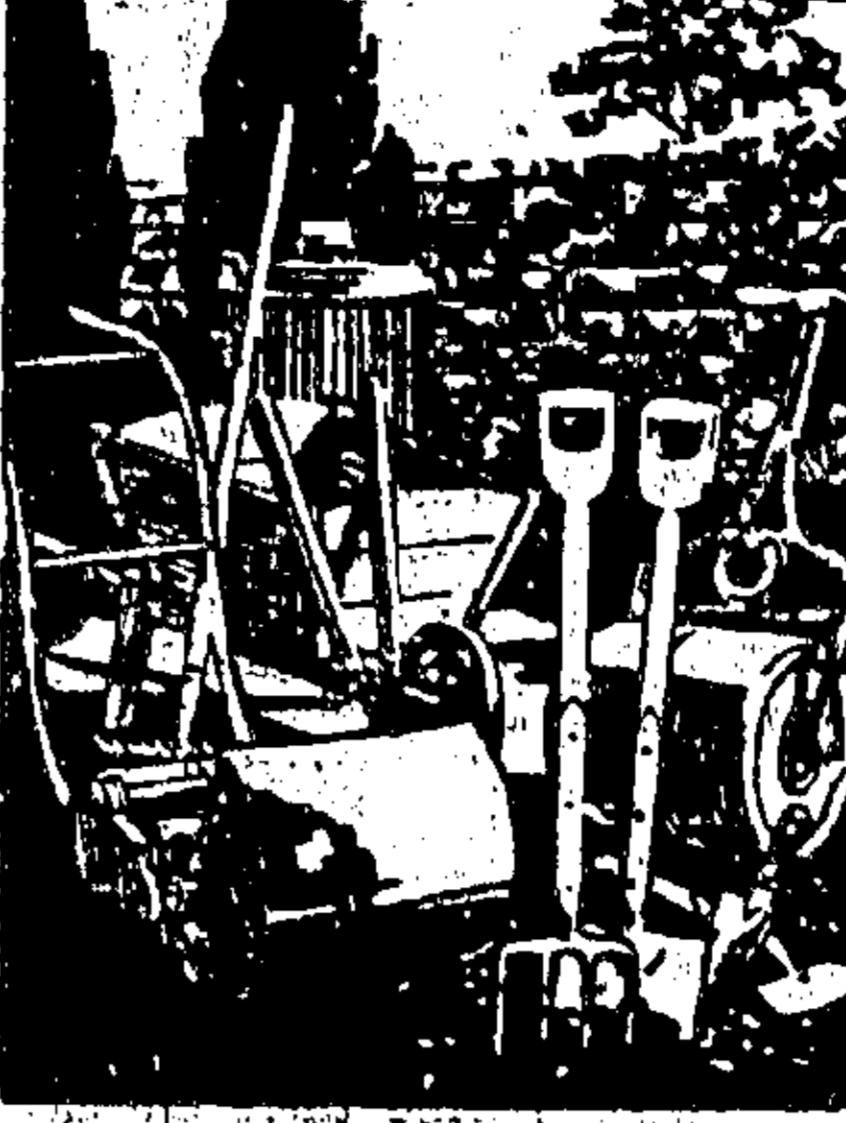
Minimum temperature, 61 F.

Rainfall, nil.

HONG KONG TIDE TABLE From 8 to 14 Feb. 1941.

Day of Week	Date	HIGH WATER		LOW WATER	
		Hong Kong Standard Time	Height	Hong Kong Standard Time	Height
Sat.	8	08 22	3 7	01 24	2 1
Sun.	9	09 47	4 1	02 05	3 6
Mon.	10	10 11	7 0	12 41	3 6
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## GARDEN TOOLS.



## NEW ADVERTISEMENTS

HONGKONG &amp; SHANGHAI BANKING CORPORATION.

NOTICE is hereby given that the Ordinary Yearly Meeting of the Shareholders in this Corporation will be held at the Head Office of the Corporation, No. 1 Queen's Road Central, Hongkong, on Wednesday, the 26th February, 1941, at Noon for the purpose of receiving the Report of the Board of Directors together with a Statement of Accounts for the year ending 31st December, 1940.

The Register of Shares of the Corporation will be closed from Thursday the 13th February to Wednesday the 26th February, 1941 (both days inclusive) during which period no transfer of shares can be registered.

By Order of the Board of Directors.

V. M. GRAYBURN,  
Chief Manager.  
Hongkong, 7th February, 1941.

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HONGKONG TRAMWAYS LIMITED

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the ORDINARY YEARLY GENERAL MEETING of HONGKONG TRAMWAYS LIMITED will be held at the offices of Messrs. Jardine, Matheson & Co., Ltd., Hongkong, on TUESDAY, the 25th day of February, 1941, at 12 o'clock noon, to transact the ordinary business of the Company.

AND NOTICE IS HEREBY ALSO GIVEN that the REGISTER OF MEMBERS of the Company will be CLOSED from MONDAY, the 10th to TUESDAY, the 25th February, 1941, both days inclusive.

By Order of the Board,  
W. F. SIMMONS,  
Secretary.

Hongkong, 1st February, 1941.

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THE HONGKONG LAND INVESTMENT &amp; AGENCY CO., LTD.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the FIFTY-THIRD ORDINARY GENERAL MEETING of SHAREHOLDERS in this Company, will be held at the Offices of Messrs. Jardine, Matheson & Co., Ltd. on Monday, 24th February, 1941, at NOON for the purpose of receiving the Report of the Directors together with the Statement of Accounts for the year ended 31st December, 1940.

THE REGISTER OF SHARES of the Company will be CLOSED from MONDAY, 10th February, 1941, to MONDAY, 24th February, 1941, both days inclusive, during which period no transfer of shares can be registered.

By Order of the Board of Directors.

O. EAGER,  
Secretary.

Hong Kong, 3rd February, 1941.

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## THE WEATHER

Maximum temperature yesterday was 68 and the minimum 61.

Total rainfall since Jan. 1 is 3.97 inches against an average of 1.65.

The Royal Observatory report states:-

A strong anticyclone is centred over South Manchuria and the Yellow Sea; it is moving slowly eastward. The depression to the north of Hokkaido is moving northward.

## CORRESPONDENCE

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HONGKONG, FEBRUARY 8, 1941.

## LOCAL POVERTY PROBLEMS

THE DISTRESSING PROBLEM of poverty in Hongkong formed the subject of an interesting address given at the Helena May Institute on Thursday by a prominent social worker. Miss J. R. Taylor, as the Honorary Secretary of the Hongkong Refugee and Social Welfare Council, is in the best position to reveal the extent of poverty in the Colony and the best means that have been taken, and should be taken, to deal with it. The facts and figures which she gave of the activities of the charitable organisation with which she is associated reflect the greatest credit on this social body, but, as Miss Taylor frankly stated, there was a great deal more that would have to be undertaken before the problem could be regarded as solved. Her appeal, therefore, for more funds and for further co-operation from other charitable institutions deserves better response than has apparently been accorded the Council in the past. The suggestions which she made for alleviating the present position should have the careful consideration of not only the charitably-minded, but the administration of this Colony. If this complex problem, which has reached serious proportions, is to be dealt with more whole-heartedly.

MISS TAYLOR'S acknowledgement of what the Government has done in this respect is a tactful reminder, to the powers-that-be that the crux of the question lies in the surplus population which the Colony is now harbouring, with no positive signs that the measures undertaken by the Government to reduce this to a fair proportion have at all been successful. The weekly returns published in the press of the number of destitute persons accommodated in the various refugee camps in the Colony bear eloquent testimony to one of the main causes of poverty in the Colony. While thousands of these refugees from outside are being housed and fed, those in greatly straitened circumstances charged by landlords, despite the ever increasing number of dwellings that are springing up in the Colony, have driven thousands of poor to live in the most unhygienic and insanitary conditions in rented rooms, while thousands more have been driven out into the streets and crowd the pavements for sleeping at night. This sight is the clearest evidence of Hongkong's poverty and the situation has grown worse in the last three years. Miss Taylor disclosed that the Refugee and Social Welfare Council has built forty huts for destitute people who can afford a nominal rental of \$10 a month. The Government might elaborate on this scheme by constructing model tenements, as has been done in Singapore and India, which could be made available to the poorer classes at a low rental. It would be one of the finest gestures for dealing with this pitiful state of affairs.

Solving the problem is an optimistic one. However successful it may have been in Bengal, we fear that, apart from it being a very long and protracted method, it will not meet with any enthusiastic reception in this Colony. The mentality of large numbers of those who are in most grievous poverty is beyond the influence of educational methods. Those who have attempted to educate the poorer classes here in the prevention of disease have found that the improvement of literacy among them is of little avail. Demonstrations and personal instruction have met with better results and it is in this regard that Miss Taylor's appeal for the assistance of other charitable organisations should find support. The poor man, with little or no intelligence, is hardly likely to respond as expected to steps taken to improve his literacy when facing the pangs of hunger and when he does not know where he can find means to satisfy it.

MISS TAYLOR'S reference to the housing problem strikes nearer the core of the present misery under which Hongkong's poor are existing. The iniquitous rents being charged by landlords, despite the ever increasing number of dwellings that are springing up in the Colony, have driven thousands of poor to live in the most unhygienic and insanitary conditions in rented rooms, while thousands more have been driven out into the streets and crowd the pavements for sleeping at night. This sight is the clearest evidence of Hongkong's poverty and the situation has grown worse in the last three years. Miss Taylor disclosed that the Refugee and Social Welfare Council has built forty huts for destitute people who can afford a nominal rental of \$10 a month. The Government might elaborate on this scheme by constructing model tenements, as has been done in Singapore and India, which could be made available to the poorer classes at a low rental. It would be one of the finest gestures for dealing with this pitiful state of affairs.

His Excellency the Acting Governor will see a demonstration by the mobile black-out exhibition at Government House on Thursday at 7 p.m.

His Excellency the Acting Governor will be present at the Police and Police Reserve Dinner-Dance in aid of British and Chinese war charities at the Peninsula Hotel on Friday, Feb. 14, at 8 p.m.

On Saturday, Feb. 14, His Excellency the Acting Governor will proceed to Fanling Lodge for the week-end.

Miss L. de Chaffoy de Courcelles, daughter of Mr. E. de Chaffoy, managing director, Oriental Tobacco Manufacture (C. Ingeneh) Ltd., left Hongkong for Shanghai on Thursday.

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## EDITORIAL

## A.R.P. TUNNEL SHELTERS

## VENTILATION TO BE TESTED

To the Editor, H.K. Daily Press Sir, — I believe I am one of the many who will compliment your esteemed paper for disclosing the TSE-FA racket in Thursday's issue. It is high time that this should come to the notice of the public—especially the authorities—so that effective steps could be taken to stamp out once for all, this "policious" swindle.

I can bear witness there is no exaggeration about your report, as I have actually seen with my own eyes children, Chinese and foreign alike, gambling at tse-fa as if they have gone crazy. It is often the case that a housewife loses all the money entrusted her by her husband for the upkeep of the house for the month, and is compelled to pawn her personal valuable to cover up the money lost. And there are cases worse than these, which sometimes end tragically and disastrously.

Although the Police authorities are sparing no efforts in stamping out this racket, the sentences imposed on these "law-breakers" is, to one's eye, rather slight. Should heavier sentences, such as long terms of imprisonment or banishment, be imposed on them without the option of fines, which, more often than not, are paid by the gambling ring, I firmly believe the tse-fa racket will be gradually eradicated.

Let us hope that the authorities will take a serious view of this matter and "clean up" the town of this evil, for which the public will be thankful.

Yours, etc.,

ELO

An inter-district competition for the Hilmsworth Cup will be held at Shamshuipo on Sunday, Feb. 16, at 2.30 p.m.

## ACTION FOR SLANDER

## DEFENCE WITNESS TESTIFIES

An allegation that plaintiff had arranged on July 17, on the opening of the loan association, to bring some men into the house to threaten the members not to discuss about her and plaintiff in connexion with their mah-jongg games, was made yesterday by Tang Pui-Sang, witness for the defence, in a slander action before Mr. Justice Williams at the Summary Court.

Plaintiff, Chan Pau-shi, of No. 43 Nathan Road, is suing Chan Yee-ko, married woman, of No. 22 Hillwood Road, for damages.

Mr. Alfred Y. Hon appeared for plaintiff and Mr. F. H. Loseby for defendant.

Tang testified yesterday that she had been using signals in games with plaintiff for about three months. Plaintiff had asked her not to tell anyone at all costs. Cross-examined, witness admitted that she made about \$2,500 for three months but that she did not make any amends to any of the people whom she had cheated. Further hearing was adjourned to Mar. 14, at 11.30 a.m.

Two building lots at Tsing Lung Tau, of 5,000 square feet each, were sold at the upset price of \$200 per lot at the District Office South yesterday. Fifteen agricultural lots—two at Tsing Lung Tau, 11 at Mui Wo, and one each at Kai Kang and Luk Ti Tong—measuring from .01 to 3.33 acres, were sold at upset prices ranging from \$1 to \$436.

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Mr. Chan Shiu-ke, merchant, of No. 71, Des Voeux Road Central, and Miss Leung Ching-choi, of No. 29, Kimberley Road;

Mr. Ying Sze-yau, civil servant, in the Chinese Central Government, residing at No. 242, Temple Street, second floor, and Miss Leung Sui-fong, of No. 10, Tai Wong Street West.

ANNOUNCEMENT

The forthcoming marriage between Mr. Kong Wai-leung, revenue officer, residing at No. 318, Reclamation Street, first floor, and Miss Leung Suk-yin, of No. 277, Reclamation Street, second floor.

POLICE REPORTS

Mr. Gregory, of No. 425, King's Road, reports that money and clothing to the total value of \$46 were stolen from his residence on Thursday.

The theft of a motor pump valued at \$100 from Kai Yin Te race on Thursday has been reported by Mr. Ho Cheon-kwan to the Police.

The Police has been informed of the theft of an electric motor, valued at \$75, the property of Mr. Ip Kau, from No. 35 Pei-ho Street on Thursday.

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## THE DRAMA AT VICHY: WHAT HITLER IS AFTER

"Herr Hitler has to get, by hook or by crook, the help of France—that France they stabbed in the back," said MR. CYRIL LAKIN, B.B.C. commentator, when he discussed the latest developments in Franco-German relations in a broadcast from London yesterday.

"That is why," he continued, "this drama is being played in Vichy and the week-end, they now say, will bring some clarification of the situation."

**WAR OF NERVES**  
Mr. Lakin referred briefly to Admiral Darlan's trip to Paris to see M. Laval and to an interview which Admiral Leahy, the U.S. Ambassador to Vichy, had recently with Marshal Petain.

Mr. Lakin also said that General Wavell had declared yesterday that reports of impending German action against Bizerte were without foundation.

"The old war of nerves is being exerted on Vichy and Marshal Petain through M. Laval," said Mr. Lakin. "Marshal Petain dismissed M. Laval, as he said, in the interests of the country. Now, just six or seven weeks later, M. Laval, backed by Herr Hitler, appears to be addressing demands to Marshal Petain that he should be given the most important posts in the Government."

"Imagine what the ordinary logical and intelligent French men and women think of such a situation, especially when they hold M. Laval in such contempt, as the majority of them do? French opinion would regard M. Laval as Germany's agent inflicted upon the Marshal by German pressure."

**FRENCH KNOW THE TRUTH**

"The French people know where Britain stands in regard to them today. They know that Britain is sure of her own victory and the recent British victories in the Mediterranean have given them an idea of what is to follow. No German propaganda has been able to overcome the truth of the British victory over the Axis partners."

Herr Hitler only means to devour France and to reduce her to the status of a third class power. The French people know that Mr. Churchill spoke the truth when he

## Winant's Appointment Welcomed

The nomination of MR. JOHN G. WINANT as American Ambassador to Britain is warmly welcomed, a London message.

The Times says Mr. Winant is a man slow to reach a decision but inflexible when convinced.

The Daily Telegraph writes that President Roosevelt has chosen a man of his own heart but not of his own party. Mr. Winant, if he came to London, would interpret his own country to the one he has been sent with the same sincerity and lofty purpose. (Special)

OUTSIDE ROUTINE

NEW YORK, Feb. 7 (Reuter)—A suggestion that Mr. Winant is destined to fulfil more than an Ambassador's conventional role is made by the New York Herald Tribune which, in approving his selection, finds it like that of Lord Halifax to the United States, outside the usual diplomatic routine.

## Bad Weather On Albanian Front

LONDON, Feb. 7 (BWS)—Very little news is available in London from the Albanian front where fighting is taking place in exceptionally bad weather.

It appears that the Italian resistance is somewhat firmer which, considering the state of the weather and the type of country as well as the fact that the Italians are retreating on to their own bases, is to be expected.

The latest Greek communiqué states "Activity is restricted to patrols and artillery."

## PORTUGUESE GOVT. OFFER TO BELLIGERENTS

### "SAFETY CITIES" FOR CHILDREN

LISBON, Feb. 7 (Reuter)—A project for the centralising in Portugal of international efforts to protect children from the consequences of aerial warfare, is to be made officially by the Portuguese Government to all belligerent Powers.

A plan was unofficially put forward recently in the newspaper, *Diarjo de Notícias*, urging the establishment of "safety cities" in all countries at war where children would be guaranteed freedom from bombardment.

"Let us centralise in Portugal and co-ordinate the magnificent work of International Red Cross units," wrote the newspaper. "This generation representing the Europe of to-morrow cannot be held responsible for the bloody conflict now proceeding in Europe. It is a question of saving from the dread and fear and inevitable physical debility of thousands of children—English, German, French, Italian, Belgian, Dutch, Norwegian and Greek without distinction."

### LEASE AND LEND BILL

WASHINGTON, Feb. 7 (Reuter)—By 206 to 145 votes the House of Representatives today defeated the first attempt to change the original text of the Lease and Lend Bill.

The proposal was to supplant the Bill with another bill under which aid to Britain will be supplied out of a credit of \$2,000,000.

Mr. Henry Stimson, U.S. Secretary for War, stated in Washington that U.S. aircraft production will be considerably accelerated, states a London message. (Special)

## What Will Hitler Do?

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sharpest weapon is being blunted. Front page news today is concerned with what he might do and what he can do."

Mr. Steed referred to the rapid British advance in Libya which had now culminated in Benghazi falling into British hands. He declared that this was a military feat which was unprecedented in modern warfare.

Then there was increasing German pressure on Bulgaria with the intention of pushing through Bulgaria to Greece and finally there was the new development in Vichy.

### HITLER'S OBJECTIVE

"It seems certain," said Mr. Steed, "that Herr Hitler's objective in putting pressure on Marshal Petain, is to get control of the French Navy and to use the French port of Bizerte to make it difficult for the British forces in the Mediterranean and for Greece."

"All this brings us back to the central point—What would Hitler like to do and what can he do? There would not be much doubt on this problem, if Hitler is in a position to launch his attack on Britain. But if he makes this attack, and he does not succeed, nothing he can do in South-East Europe will help his prestige. That is why I think he will try to succeed elsewhere before he tries to attack Britain."

"Whatever his press and wireless propaganda may say Herr Hitler is not so foolish to imagine that the help which United States is giving to the British cause does not matter. He knows that it does matter. He must strike a blow and the question is how soon this blow will be."

Mr. Steed went on to express the view that the successes against the Italian forces on three fronts would shortly enable the British fighting units there to be released at the disposal of the Germans."

It was possible that they will soon see M. Laval back in Vichy, but much would depend on how General Weygand would act if he was told not to obey the orders of Marshal Petain.

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**DIRECT BEARING**

What was happening in the Mediterranean would have a direct bearing on Hitler's mind over his intentions against Britain. Unlike the war of 1914-1918 therefore, this war was anything but higgledy-piggledy. In Africa Musso-

lini's army was actually running away instead of retreating. The British, however, expected a stiffer resistance in Eritrea.

Mr. Steed referred to his knowledge of Eritrea and Abyssinia and recalled events in the previous war between Abyssinia and Italy.

In the near future, he said, Italy may throw up the sponge. In Abyssinia the Italians are being hard pressed in the south and the east. Emperor Haile Selassie was now in supreme command of the Abyssinian forces, and here Mr. Steed referred to Mr. Anthony Eden's recent statement in the House of Commons that the British Government will welcome the reappearance of an independent Ethiopian state and would recognise the claims of Emperor Haile Selassie to the throne.

### A STEP FORWARD

"This declaration is a great step forward," said Mr. Steed. "It was only two years and one month ago that the British Government re-accepted the King of Italy as the ruler of Abyssinia."

Mr. Steed declared that some years ago Field Marshal Goering had paid a most boastful tribute to the value of Italy as a military ally. That was what Herr Hitler meant the Rome-Berlin axis to be. The position today, however, was different.

"While Mussolini is dismissing prominent Fascists right and left," said Mr. Steed, "many were asking the question when the chief culprit himself would be dismissed."

"Herr Hitler," said Mr. Steed, "while endeavouring to send some useful help to Italy was, at the same time, trying to play his trump card in Vichy and to compel Marshal Petain to replace M. Laval and to put the French fleet at the disposal of the Germans."

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**RATION OF SUCCESSES**

In Favour Of R.A.F.

LONDON, Feb. 7 (Reuter)—"Britain must win the air war as a prelude to victory," declared Air Commodore Goddard in a broadcast last night.

He added that the recent lull meant that the German air force had been having difficulties. We had got through the winter pretty well. Over 480 enemy aircraft were destroyed in the last two months.

The ratio of British successes to losses in December and January was three to one. Forty enemy planes—most of them the much vaunted German dive-bomber had been shot down near Malta in the last two months with only two British losses.

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and

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## ST. ANDREW'S

(Church of England, Kowloon) Communion Fellowship Breakfast

Sunday, Feb. 9 Septuagesima Sunday. 8 a.m. Holy Communion followed by Communion Fellowship Breakfast. At 11 a.m. welcome.

10 a.m. Junior Sunday School. Young People's Service. 11 a.m. Matins and Sermon. Preacher: Rev. H. D. Rosenthal. 6.15 p.m. Evensong and Sermon. Preacher: Rev. H. A. Wittenbach. The Sunday Club meets as usual in the Hall after this service.

Sunday, Feb. 10-10 a.m. Medical War Working Party for China. 8.30 p.m. St. Andrew's Club.

Debate: "That modern Scientific Discoveries and Developments have brought more evil than good in their train."

Tuesday, Feb. 11-6 p.m. Service of Intercession in connection with the War.

Wednesday, Feb. 12-5.30 p.m. Wolf Cubs meet in the Hall. 8.45 p.m. Rovers meet at 11 Cumber- land Road, Kowloon Tong.

Thursday, Feb. 13-10 a.m. Medical War Working Party for China.

Friday, Feb. 14-5.30 p.m. Scouts meet in the Hall. 5.30 p.m. Choir Practice.

The rooms of St. Andrew's Fellowship are open daily from 10 a.m. to 11 p.m.

## CATHOLIC NEWS &amp; NOTES

## SEPTUAGESIMA: PORTUGUESE MARTYR, LOURDES AND DR. ALEXIS CARREL

A NEW PERIOD OF THE LITURGICAL YEAR BEGINS TOMORROW WITH SEPTUAGESIMA SUNDAY. The Christmas cycle, which began with Advent, is now completed and Septuagesima ushers in the new one, the Paschal cycle, which continues to the octave of Pentecost. This Paschal cycle has three sections. The first is from Septuagesima until Ash Wednesday, a preliminary period, a kind of introduction to the Lenten period. Lent makes up the second. Easter to Pentecost forms the third.

Though Lent is pre-eminently the penitential season, the necessity of penance is also stressed in the prayers of this time, and the idea of seeking pardon from sin is prominent in the liturgy. As always in the prayers of the Church, the thought of reward is put side by side with that of punishment.

The Epistle of tomorrow's Mass is an extract from one of St. Paul's letters, in which he told the people of Corinth that there was a prize for life as for race, and that he treated himself with severity so that he might be fit in spirit as athletes are in body.

The Gospel, too, deals with the subject of reward. It recounts Christ's parable of the householder who engaged labourers for the vineyard and rewarded even those who worked only from the eleventh hour—a most comforting message to those who have long delayed their repentance.

## PORTUGUESE MARTYR

There is a movement on foot in Portugal to petition for the canonisation of a great Portuguese missionary martyr, Blessed John de Britto. He is given special prominence in Portuguese history because he was associated with the royal family in childhood and was brought up at court.

In spite of considerable opposition he became a Jesuit and was sent to India, to the Madura mission. He joined the Brahmin caste and carried on a very successful apostolate, though he met with much opposition and was twice imprisoned and was cruelly treated while in prison.

He was sent back to Europe for a brief visit on business in connexion with his Order, and the King, Peter II, wanted to keep him in order to make him the tutor of his children. When he succeeded in returning to India he was offered an archbishopric, but he refused it, and returned to the missionary work which he performed with such success.

Opposition rose against him because he converted a prince to Christianity and made him abandon plurality of wives. The family of one of the former wives procured his arrest, and he was beheaded. He lived in the seventeenth century and was beatified nearly a century ago by Pope Paul IX. His feast-day was last week.

## LOURDES, DR. ALEXIS CARREL

The feast of Our Lady of Lourdes, which occurs next Tuesday, directs attention to Lourdes and to the cure which are reported from it. While many people scoff at the claim that diseases

HAVE NO MOUTHS.

## ST. JOHN'S CATHEDRAL

## Annual Meeting

## SEPTUAGESIMA SUNDAY

8 a.m. Holy Communion 11 a.m. Matins and sermon. Preacher: Rev. D. M. Richards. 6.30 p.m. Evensong and Sermon. Preacher: The Dean. The SOCIAL HOUR will be held in the hall immediately after Evensong, and all will be welcomed.

Holy Communion will be celebrated on 7.30 a.m. Thursday, 7.45 a.m. Friday (in Cantonese) 7.45 a.m. Friday (in Cantonese)

## NOTICE FOR THE WEEK

Annual Meeting of all Cathedral electors in the Cathedral Hall Monday February 10th, at 5.30 p.m. Tea at 5 p.m.

## NOTICES FOR THE WEEK

Following the Evening Service a Social Hour will be held at the S & S Home at 8.15 p.m. All Servicemen and civilians will be warmly welcomed.

A meeting for Prayer and Fellowship will be held at the S & S Home on Tuesday at 8.30 p.m.

Monday and Thursday at 7 p.m. Badminton Club at the S & S Home.

Septuagesima Sunday. Morning services: 1st Mass at 6 with sermon in Chinese, 2nd Mass at 8 with sermon in English, 3rd Mass at 10 with sermon in English. Evening services: at 3.30 Catechetical Instruction, at 4 Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament, recitation of the Holy Rosary and Benediction. Feb. 11-Apparition of Our Lady at Lourdes. Feb. 12-Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament, recitation of the Holy Rosary and Benediction at 5.30 p.m. On week days Mass at 6 and 7.30. Confessions morning and evening.

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## CHURCH &amp; GENERAL

## FUNERAL OF MR.

## L. A. MARTIN

The funeral of Mr. Lawrence Anthony Martin, who died at St. Teresa's Hospital yesterday morning, aged 27, took place at the Catholic Cemetery in the afternoon.

The Rev. Fr. A. Granelli officiated.

The late Mr. Martin who was connected with Messrs. John D. Hutchison and Co., was a member of the Emergency Unit of the Police Reserve and is survived by his mother and younger sister.

Besides the chief mourners, others present at the funeral were Hon. Mr. T. E. Pearce, Messrs. P. S. Cassidy, E. Manning, H. A. Alves, M. M. Mendonca, E. D. Fisher, F. A. Broadbridge, B. A. Castro, E. Fong, F. Wong, and C. A. R. Remedios, Misses T. Gonzales, E. Chinn, G. Pang, L. Charrington, I. Chung and many others.

Many floral tributes were sent.

## ST. JOSEPH'S CHURCH

Septuagesima Sunday. First Mass and General Communion at 8 a.m. Second Mass at 10 a.m., followed by Benediction. This Service will be broadcast. Sermon by Rev. Father G. Byrne S.J. on: "The parable of the labourers in the vineyard." Tues.: "Apparition of Our Lady at Lourdes. On weekdays, Holy Mass at 8 a.m. Confessions are heard every day, before and after Mass. On Saturdays, the special time for Confessions is from 4.30 to 8 p.m.

## FIRST CHURCH OF CHRIST. SCIENTIST

31 Macdonnell Road. Service on Sunday, February 9.

The subject of the Lesson Sermon in all Christian Science Churches tomorrow will be

to preach at Mattins.

Sunday, Feb. 9-Septuagesima. Services in English: 7.15 a.m. Holy Communion; 9.45 a.m. Mattins and Sermon. Preacher: Rev. H. A. Wittenbach, Acting Vicar of S. Andrew's. Hymns: 1. 254 Now that the daylight—(Tune Melcombe); 2. 451 O God, thy power is wonderful; 3. 152. Come down, O love divine; 4. 372. Bright the vision.

6.30 p.m. Evensong.

Services in Mandarin: 8 a.m. Holy Communion; 11 a.m. Morning Prayer. Sunday School 9 a.m. in No. 3 Duke Street. Wednesday, Feb. 12, Wolf Cub Pack meets in the Vicarage grounds at 4.30 p.m. Thursday, Feb. 13. (N.B. The time of the week-day services of Holy Communion will be changed as from to-day to 7 a.m., instead of 7.15 a.m. as before). 7 a.m. Holy Communion. 10 a.m. Meeting of the Guild of Martha and Mary in the Vicarage. 6 p.m. Choir practice in the Church. Friday, Feb. 14. The Vicarage will be open from 8 p.m. to members of the Christ Church Fellowship and their friends for games. Every Friday night from now on, the house will be a club from 8 p.m. Saturday, Feb. 15. Tennis 2.30 p.m., weather permitting.

Note: The Monthly Notes will be published early next week.

## ANNOUNCEMENT

First Church of Christ. Scientist, Hongkong, a Branch of the Mother Church. The First Church of Christ, Scientist, in Boston, Mass. No. 31 Macdonnell Road close to Peak Tram Station. Sunday Service 11.15 a.m. Testimony Meeting, Wednesday 6 p.m. A Reading Room is maintained in the Church Building and is open on Monday, Thursday and Saturday mornings from 10.30 a.m. to 12.30 p.m. and on Tuesday and Friday evenings from 5.30 to 7 p.m. All authorised Christian literature is available at the Reading Room.

The public is cordially invited to attend the services and to visit the Reading Room.

## FRATERNITY PRAYER ROOM

77 Pokfulam Road. Saturday, 8.30 p.m. Fellowship meeting. Subject: "The two Babylonians." Sunday, 9.45 p.m.—Service of the Lord's Supper. 8.30 p.m. Visitors are welcome.

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## ST. TERESA'S CHURCH

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On week-days: Holy Mass at 6.30 and 7.15 a.m.

Feb. 14, Friday, at 6 p.m. Service of Intercession with the Way of the Cross.

## CATHOLIC CATHEDRAL

The following are the forthcoming services at the Catholic Cathedral, Caine Road:

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## Refugees In The Colony

A decrease of 39 in the number of refugees and destitutes accommodated in Government camps, etc., in the urban and rural areas is recorded in the Returns for the week ending on Feb. 1.

Urban Areas (Civilians)

King's Park: 1,297 against 1,399 on Jan. 25.

Ma Tau Chung: 1,388 against 1,390 on Jan. 25.

North Point: 1,468 against 1,466 on Jan. 25.

Morrison Hill: 539 against 538 on Jan. 25.

Urban Areas (Soldiers)

In Hospital: 22 against 23 on Jan. 25.

Argyle Street: 699 against 699 on Jan. 25.

Urban Areas (Squatters' Camps)

Tai Hang: 2,577 against 2,577 on Jan. 25.

Ngau Tau Kok: 798 against 798 on Jan. 25.

Rural Areas

Kam Tin: 1,846 against 1,876 on Jan. 25.

Fanling Children's Camp: 298 against 303 on Jan. 25.

Total: 10,910 against 10,949 on Jan. 25.

## ST. PETER'S SEAMEN'S CHURCH

The Sailors' Home and Seamen's Institute, Hongkong

Septuagesima, 8 a.m. Holy Communion, 8 p.m. Short Evening Service, Preacher, The Chaplain

Refreshments are served after the evening service.

N.B.—The Church is open to the general public.

## CHRIST CHURCH KOWLOON TONG

The Reverend H. A. Wittenbach

Services in English: 7.15 a.m. Holy Communion; 9.45 a.m. Mattins and Sermon.

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## FOREIGN MARKETS &amp; QUOTATIONS

## MONEY AND EXCHANGE CLOSING QUOTATIONS

FEBRUARY 7, 1941.

On London:— Telegraphic Transfer 1/2 7/8 Bank Bills, on demand 1/3 7/8 Credits 4 months' sight

On Shanghai:— On demand 435

On Singapore:— On demand 52 3/4

On Japan:— On demand 102 1/2

On India:— Telegraphic Transfer 1/2 1/2 and demand

On New York:— Bank Bills, on demand 23 9/16 Credits, 60 days' sight 24 5/16

On Batavia:— On demand 44 1/4

On Paris:— Bank Bills, on demand Nom. Credits 4 months' sight Nom.

On Saigon:— On demand 102 1/4

On Manila:— On demand 47 1/8

On Bangkok:— On demand 149 1/2

On Sterling Notes:— Bank Buying Rate ... Nou. Bar Silver per oz. ... 23 5/16

Market Report

FROM ROZA BROS.

Friday, Feb. 7.

Silver prices were unchanged yesterday, the quotations remaining at 23 15/16 for both deliveries.

Silver advices reported the market as being very quiet. American Silver was quoted at 34 3/4 for Spot.

The London/New York cross-rate was quoted at 402 1/2. New York/London was quoted at 403-1/4.

## MARKET

Steady.

## STERLING

There were sellers at 1/3 Feb. 1941/April, buyers at 1/3 1/32 Cash.

U. S. DOLLARS

23 7/8 sellers for Cash, buyers at 23 15/16 Cash.

SHANGHAI DOLLARS

Some business was arranged at 449 1/4 and 449. The market closed with sellers 449 for cash, buyers bidding 449 1/2.

SHANGHAI MARKET

Sterling at 3 21/64 and U. S. Dollars at 5 5/16, both sellers for Spot.

AFTERNOON MARKET

The market was quiet in the afternoon. U. S. Dollars were a shade steadier.

## STERLING

The market closed with sellers at 1/3 February/April, buyers at 1/3 1/32 for Cash.

U. S. DOLLARS

The market closed with sellers at 23 15/16 for Cash, buyers at 24 for Cash.

SHANGHAI DOLLARS

Some business was arranged at 448 3/4. The market closed with sellers at 448 3/4 buyers bidding 449.

## Shanghai Exchange

Shanghai, Feb. 7 (Reuter).

Official T.T. Rates

Opening

London 0/3-5/16

New York 5 1/4

Japan 22-1/4

India 18-3/4

Paris nominal

Hongkong 22

Sterling

Sellers

Opening

Spot 0/3-21/64 0/3-21/64

Feb. 0/3-21/64 0/3-21/64

Mar. 0/3-19/64 0/3-5/16

U. S. Dollars

Spot \$5 5/16 \$5 5/16

Feb. 5 5/16 5 5/16

Mar. 5 1/4 5 9/32

Market: Quiet but steady.

Silver Duty Rate

The Central Bank of China's rate on London at 10 a.m. today was 1/2-1/2.

The Equalisation rate was 23 1/2 per cent.

Calcutta Exchange

Calcutta, Feb. 6 (Reuter).

T.T. on Japan, 81-1/4

India Rupee Paper

Bombay, Feb. 6 (Reuter).

Govt. 31% Rupee, 95-04-0.

LONDON GOLD

London, Feb. 6 (Reuter).

Bar Gold, Fine per oz. 168/-

## NEW YORK COMMODITY MARKET (REUTER'S SERVICE)

NEW YORK, Feb. 6, 1941.

	High	Low	Prev.	Today's	Close	Close	Change
New York Cotton, March	10.39	10.35	10.31	10.36	.05 up		
New York Rubber, March	19.86	19.80	19.80b	19.84b	.04 up		
Chicago Wheat, May	62 1/2	62 1/2	62 1/2	62 1/2	1/4 off		
Chicago Corn, May	62 1/2	61 1/2	62	61 1/2	1/4 off		
New York Hides, March	12.73	12.70	12.66b	12.71	.05 up		
NEW YORK COTTON	Close	Opening	Closing	Change			
March	10.31/31	10.36/36	10.36/36	.05 up			
May	10.32/32	10.37/37	10.34/34	.02 up			
July	10.21/22	10.26/27	10.24/24	.03 up			
October	9.72/72	9.78/78	9.74/74	.02 up			
December	9.68/68	9.73/74	9.74/71	.03 up			
January	9.64 N	9.70 A	9.67 N	.03 up			
	10.88		10.91	.05 up			
Total sales Wednesday:—71,800 bales							
The first notice day for March Cotton is 25/2/41 and last day is 14/3/41.							
NEW YORK RUBBER							
March	19.80b/82a	19.65b	19.84b/85a	.04 up			
May	19.67/68	19.55b/70a	19.73/73	.06 up			
July (New contract)	19.53/53	19.40b/53a	19.55/57	.02 up			
September ( )	19.43 N	19.25b/43a	19.38 N	.05 off			
Total sales:—640 tons							
CHICAGO WHEAT							
May	82 1/2	82 1/2	82 1/2	1/4 off			
July	76 1/2	76 1/2	76 1/2	1/4 off			
September	76 1/2	76 1/2	76 1/2	1/4 off			
Wednesday's sales:—7,653,000 bushels.							
CHICAGO CORN							
May	62/62	62 1/2	61 1/2	1/4 off			
July	61 1/2	62/62	61 1/2	1/4 off			
September	61 1/2	61 1/2	61 1/2	1/4 off			
NEW YORK HIDES							
March	12.68b/75a	12.68b/78a	12.71/71	.05 up			
June	12.38b/39a	12.32b/50a	12.35/36	.01 off			
Total sales for the day:—41 contracts.							
NEW YORK COCOA							
March	5.06/05	5.07/07	5.16 N	.10 up			
May	5.14 N	5.15/15	5.25 N	.09 up			
NEW YORK SUGAR NO. 3							
March	2.00b/01a	2.00b/01a	2.00b/01a	unch.			
May	2.05b/06a	2.05b/06a	2.05b/06a	unch.			
Volume of business done:—113 lots							
NEW YORK SUGAR NO. 4							
March	.69b/70a	.69b/70a	.69b/70a	unch.			
May	.73b/73a	.72b/72a	.73b/73a	unch.			
Volume of business done:—58 lots.							
NEW YORK COPPER FUTURES							
March	11.45b/48a	11.38b/50a	11.42b/45a	.03 off			
July	11.30/30	11.25b/32a	11.25b/30a	.05 off			
N.Y. Official Silver	34-3/4	34-3/4	34-3/4				
NY-London Cross Rate 4.03-1/4		4.03					
LONDON STOCK EXCHANGE							
LONDON METALS EXCHANGE							
London, Feb. 6 (Reuter).							
Tin, Standard, Cash, Middle Price, £256-3/4.							
Tin, Standard, Cash, Middle Price, £258-1/8.							
SILVER MARKET							
LONDON SILVER							
London, Feb. 6 (Reuter).							
Silver—Little production selling and speculative buying. Market steady. In the afternoon, the market was very quiet with no business.							
Spot, 23-5/16d.							
Forward, 23-5/16d.							
BOMBAY SILVER							
Bombay, Feb. 6 (Reuter).							
Market—Steady. Oftake 75 bars.							
Indian Mint Silver							
Randy	63-01						
Feb. 21 Settlement	63-00						
Mar. 25 Settlement	62-14					</	

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\* LISBON MARU ... Tuesday, 11th Feb.

RANGOON & CALCUTTA via Singapore

\* NAGATO MARU ... Friday, 21st Feb.

KOBE & YOKOHAMA

\* LIMA MARU ... Saturday, 8th Feb.  
ASAMA MARU ... Tuesday, 11th Feb.

TATUTA MARU ... Tuesday, 25th Feb.  
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**TOMORROW**

MOZART CONCERTO IN D MAJOR  
THE "CORONATION"

Book Reviews

10.00—11.00 a.m. Relay of Morning  
Service from St. Joseph's Church.

12.15 p.m. William Boyce — "The  
Prospect Before Us" Suite (arr.  
Constant Lambert).

(a) The Rehearsal; (b) First Scene;  
(c) The Lawyers; (d) The Urchins;  
(e) Ballet Scene; (f) Street Scene;  
(g) Finale—Sadler's Wells Orchestra

conducted by Constant Lambert.

12.40 Piano Recital by Eileen Joyce.

Toccata in A Major (Parades)

(Bach); Prelude and Fugue in A

Minor (Bach); 2nd Impromptu, Op.

31 (Gabriel Faure), Rhapsodie in C

Major, Op. 11, No. 3 (Dohnanyi); Pre-

lude in E Flat Major, Op. 23, No. 6

(Rachmaninoff); Prelude in C Minor,

Op. 23, No. 7 (Rachmaninoff).

1.00 Local Time Signal and Weather

Report.

1.03 Albert Sandler and His Orch-

estra and Webster Booth (Tenor).

Gipsy Melody (Nelson and Knight),

Soldiery (Murray)—Albert Sandler &

His Orchestra, The English Rose

(from "Merrie England"); "The Faery

Song" (from "The Immortal Hour"—

Boughton)—Webster Booth (Tenor)

with Orchestra & Harp acc. Trouble

in Paradise (Wever and Others),

Yvonne (Nichols)—Albert Sandler &

His Orchestra, She Is Far From The

Land (Moore-Lambert)—Webster

Booth (Tenor) with Piano acc. The

Second Serenade (Fanny Heykens)—

Albert Sandler and His Orchestra.

1.30 Reuter and Ruby Press, Weather

Forecast and Announcements.

1.45 Puccini's "Madam Butterfly"

Act II.

Characters and Solists in order of

appearance: Cho-Chu-San—Sheridan

Spokane; Suzuki—her servant—Man-

marini (Mezzo-Soprano); Sharpless,

U.S. Sonsu—Weinberg (Baritone);

Goro, marriage broker—Palai (Tenor);

Prince Yamadori—Gelli (Bass), with

Members of La Scala Orchestra and

Chorus, Milan.

2.30 Close down.

5.45 Indian Programme.

7.00 London Relay—The News.

7.15 London Relay—Questions of

the Hour.

7.30 Selections from Light Opera,

Coussetta Marita—Selection (Kalmi)

—Grand Symphony Orchestra with

Vocal, Lilac Domino'—Waltz

Song: My Heart Will Be Dancing—

Juice Knight (Soprano) with Orc-

tra "The Arcadians" Selection

(Monckton)—The Band of H.M. Cold-

stream Guards—Heart's Desire

—Vocal Gems—Webster Booth (Tenor)

with Orch. and Chorus.

8.00 Local Time Signal, Weather

Report and Announcements.

8.03 Mozart—Concerto in D M.

("Coronation").

1.01 Mov: Allegro (Cadenza by Jan-

owska); 2nd Mov: Larghetto; 3rd

Mov: Allegretto—Wanda Landowska

(Piano) with Chamber Orchestra.

8.35 Mozart Songs.

Cosi Fan Tutte' (Finn as a Rock-

ing Sotze (Soprano); All Too Slowly

The Hours Are Fleeting—Duet: Ina

Sotze and Heddle Nash with Orch-

estra.

8.45 Studio—Book Reviews.

9.00 London Relay—The News and

News Commentary.

9.30 A Light Orchestral and Vocal

Concert.

The Great Awakening (Johnstone &

Kramer)—Eddie Ackland (Contralto

with Organ acc. Chanson Sans Po-

roles (Tchaikowsky) — London Sym-

phony Orchestra cond. by Sir Landan

ton.

10.02 Vivaldi—Concerto Grossso in

D Minor, Op. 3, No. 11 ("L'Estro

Armonico").

1.01 Mov: Allegro; 2nd Mov: Largo e

Spicato; 3rd Mov: "Allegro" — Serge

Koussevitzky and the Boston Orches-

tra.

10.15 Studio — Sunday Evening

Epiologue.

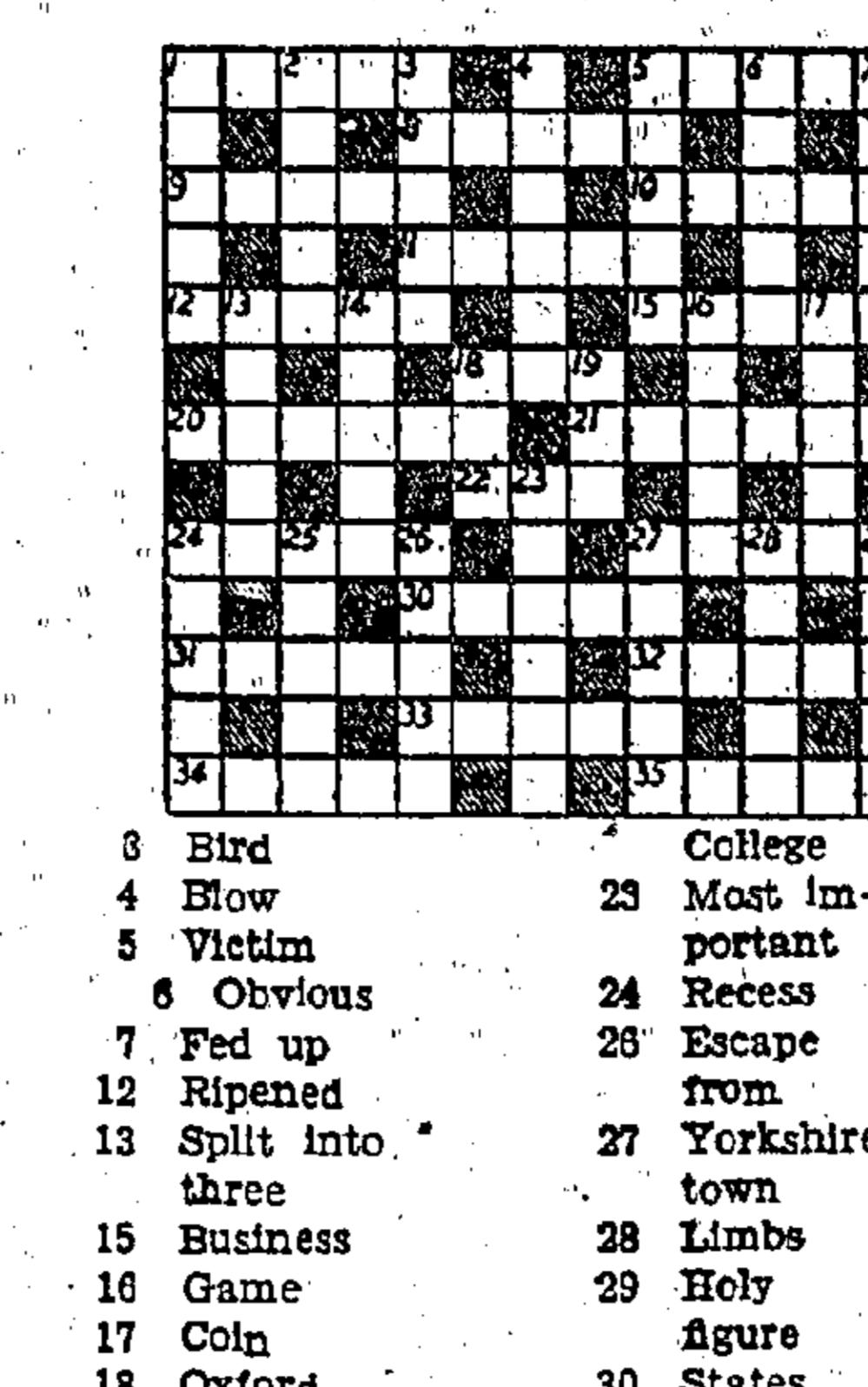
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Catholic Church.

10.35 Close down.

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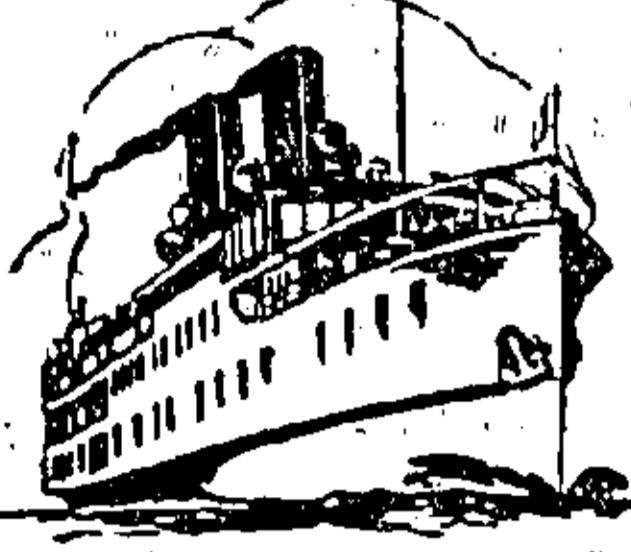
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**ANNUAL RACE  
MEETING**

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we might just as well put all we have on the Cire stable. This well known racing family have the representatives in: Beaufort, Glossy Light, Lovelight, Rosylight and Velvet Light. They all look like racers and the stable should have many successes amongst the China pony griffins. In my opinion, the two best are Velvet Light and Lovelight and I think these two will be their Hongkong Derby representatives. The opposition and quite a strong one at that will come from Oolong and possibly Eve of Grandeur.

Others in this class that show promise are Iron Beauty, Falber, Charlester and World Fair View. I am told that Sand Trap is a first class animal and this chestnut stallion looks all they claim of him, but unfortunately, this pony did not arrive until quite recently and it is problematical whether the connections will be able to get him into first class condition by next Saturday.

**OLD PONIES**

With all interest centred on the new ponies, some of our old friends have been more or less forgotten, but I can assure punters that most of them have maintained their form and will prove just as interesting. We should see some excellent racing amongst the "A" Class ponies, with added enthusiasm due to Navylight and Spicylight joining the list. Confusion Bay is as fit as of old and Burford seems to be doing a little more work than usual. O-Lan will need careful watching as I think this brown can keep up with the best of them.

Liber and Hillsboro Bay seem to be enjoying their work and should be near whenever started. These China ponies "B" Class events should produce some very keen racing. The "C" and "D" Class ponies are also provided for at the meeting, but I must confess that I have not paid much attention to their work until recently and cannot therefore comment intelligently as to their prospects until next week.

Amongst the old Australians, I have seen Fair View back on the course and galloping well, though the pony could fill in a little yet. Sapper is his old usual self and will maintain his post of honour in the list. Springhurst seems to be in fairly good condition, while Mr. Chao is looking after Piccadilly Jim well and giving this chestnut plenty of work in preparation for the meeting. Most of the old favourites will be competing but in some cases, with new jockeys, so there may be an upset or two amongst our old friends.

**D. O. SOUTH**

**UNLICENSED HAWKER**

Au Tong, charged before Mr. S. F. Balfour yesterday with hawking without a licence at Chung On St., near the Tsun Wan Market, on Feb. 6, was fined \$3.

**CAUTIONED**

Pleading guilty to six summonses, three for not taking out licences and three for allowing the three black chow bitches to be out without muzzles and leash, Li Choi was cautioned by Mr. Balfour.

An exhibition of calligraphy executed by a young brilliant Chinese practitioner, Mr. Wan Wing-sum, is being held on the 2nd floor of St. Francis Hotel, daily from 10 a.m. to 9 p.m. for three days as from today. The exhibition is held under the auspices of the Relief for Refugees of the Western Six District of Kwangtung Association.

According to reports from the Sheung Shui to Shataukou border posts, the Japanese, landing at Shauyuchung, had had no re-action in the Japanese-occupied half of Shataukou.

The theft of a battery and an electric horn from his car, No. 3321, which was parked in Queen Victoria Street, was reported to the Police yesterday by Mr. Andrew Wong, of No. 36 Connaught Road Central.

A woman, Lai Hing-fong, 22, jumped from the first floor verandah of No. 29 Stanley Street yesterday in an attempt, it is alleged, to end her life. She was sent to Queen Mary Hospital.



GENERAL Smuts, Premier of South Africa, photographed after he had inspected Army troops in training in the Transvaal. With him are Capt. E. T. Dobson, O.C. of the engineers' camp the general was visiting, and on right, Lieut.-Gen. Sir Pierre van Ryneveld, Chief of the General Staff.

**Fate Of French Fleet**

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the NEW YORK TIMES correspondent.

If they are accepted they would make M. Laval Prime Minister with far-reaching powers leaving Marshal Petain in a position analogous to President Hindenburg's in his closing years.

The correspondent adds that there is strong suspicion in Berlin that M. Laval will not return to Vichy in any circumstances, but will instead set up government in Paris.

**TREND IN VICHY**

The trend in Vichy, according to the same paper's correspondent there, veered last night towards collaboration with Germany.

Deals no longer turn on whether M. Laval will return to the Petain Government, the correspondent says, but on how great his powers shall be.

M. Laval wants to be head of the government with power to appoint and dismiss Ministers and be responsible only to Marshal Petain who would be Chief of State in the manner of Presidents of the French Republic.

**SURPRISE MEETING**

LONDON, Feb. 7. (Reuter)—A surprise meeting of the French Cabinet was held this morning, states the Swiss Radio, just after Admiral Darlan's departure for Paris where he is to continue negotiations on the German-backed demand for M. Laval's return to the council of the French Government.

It was believed earlier that Vichy's policy and proposals had been settled at yesterday's Cabinet

**SOFTBALL**

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the Indians, has caused the Mohawks to slip down into third place and makes them possible victims for any of the stronger teams in the competition.

The Cyclones have a victory over the Indians to their credit, so they should stand an excellent chance of pushing Chuck Waggoner's Tribesmen further down the ladder, especially as the latter appear to have hit a slump.

**JUNIOR TUSSELS**

There is little of interest in the Second Division and Hong schedule, although the Liza-South China fracas may be closely contested. The Recreio Bees should have too much experience for the Royal Air Force who have had quite a successful season, but the Royal Scots are unlikely to trouble the Victoria Recreation Club who are favoured to take the junior loop "Limjap" trophy.

On the Marina ground, the only Hong match will find the Green-spots opposed to the undefeated Hongkong Bankers, without much hope of stopping the latter squad's march to the custodianship of the China Sports' Shield, emblematic of Hong supremacy.

**THE PROGRAMME**

Schedule and umpires are:—Kowloon Football Club: 9.30 a.m. Florinhas v. Wildcats (N. Beltrao, Figueiredo, D. Walker); 11 a.m. Canuckettes v. Wahoos (F. Molthen, K. Nazarin, T. Chan); 12.30 p.m. Indians v. C.B.C. (H. Campos, V. Marques, A. Leonard); 1.45 p.m. St. Joseph's v. Filipinos (Kitchell, Nazarin, T. Chan); 3 p.m. Mohawks v. Cyclones (J. Alyares, A. Leonard, A. V. Gosano).

Chatham Road: 9 a.m. South China v. Liga (M. Mendonca, W. Lawrence, Gillespie); 10.15 a.m. Recreio Bees v. R.A.F. (C. Wng Lee, Coelho, E. Souza); 11.30 a.m. Royal Scots v. V.R.C. (Gillespie, Wng Lee, T. Young).

Marina Ground: 10 a.m. Greenspots v. Waytoong (B. Laurel, Art Ribeiro, Ng).

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